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HIGH LIGHTS OF THE BIG FIRE

OFFICIAL CASUALTY LIST

MR. ENOS SETH STILL MISSING

FIRE BRIGADE DENIAL

Mr. Robson's Funeral This Afternoon

MORE INSURANCE FIGURES

High lights on the big fire at the King Edward Hotel are given below. Up to the time of going to press the body of Mr. Enos Seth had not been discovered, despite the fact that the ruins of the building have been thoroughly explored by salvage parties.

Together with the official casualty list a statement emanating from Fire Brigade headquarters is published.

Mr. Robson's funeral takes place this afternoon with military honours, including the attendance of members of the Scottish Company of the Volunteers and a firing party from the King's Own Scottish Borderers.

SURVIVORS RELATE EXPERIENCES

The official Police list of the nine persons killed at the fire is as under:—

Mr. D. J. Robson (Assistant Naval Store Officer, Royal Naval Yard).

Mrs. D. J. Robson (wife of the above).

Mr. P. Baille (French).

Stephen Kish, (American) (2nd Class Fireman of the U.S.S. "Memphis").

Mrs. Tsui Kam-shiu, alias Dr. Wong Yuk-ying, of No. 36, Pak Tse-road, Canton.

Mr. Wong Kwong-leong of Canton, brother of the above lady.

Mr. Cheung Hei-kang, secretary to General Chan Ming-shu.

Mr. William Woods (British) of the W. E. Woods Co., of Wellington, New Zealand, owners of the Great Woods Peppermint Cure.

Leung Kwan, a room boy of the King Edward Hotel.

Of the above, Mr. Robson and Mr. Woods were burned to death. The others met their deaths through missing the jumping sheets in leaping from the upper floors of the burning building.

The official Police list of injured person number five, as follow:—

General Chan Ming-shu, Civil Governor of Canton.

Mrs. Chan Ming-shu.

Andrew Piccioli (American), 28 years of age, of the U.S.S. "Memphis."

To Chat, room boy of the King Edward Hotel.

Ng Ka-yuen, kitchen boy of the King Edward Hotel.

Coroner's Inquiry

The Police report adds that a Chinese Naval Captain surnamed Ma, who had been reported missing for a considerable time yesterday was seen alive last evening.

It was learned at the Central Magistracy this morning that a Coroner's inquiry will be held by the First Magistrate, Mr. E. W. Hamilton, and a Jury on Friday afternoon, into the death of Mr. William Woods.

At this inquiry, it is understood, an opportunity will be taken to go into the various aspects of the entire affair although, as in the case of the Race Course catastrophe 11 years ago, the inquest will only be on one person.

On inquiry at the Central Fire Station this morning, a "China Mail" man was informed that there was no likelihood of an official report of the fire being available for some time, as there are still many things to go into before any such report could assume any semblance of completeness.

Still Untraced

Mr. Enos Seth, a member of the well-known family, who was on a visit to his cousins in Hong Kong, is still missing and the opinion is expressed that he must have perished in the flames.

No trace of his remains had been discovered up to two o'clock this afternoon and it was not anticipated that anything would be found. It was pointed out that if the fire could melt iron bedsteads, anyone who was caught in the thick of the blaze could be burned to cinder.

Brigade Denial

A definite denial was made at the Fire Station this morning of the allegation made in another paper that some of those who jumped were killed because they went through the jumping sheets.

Only two sheets were in use during the fire. They were both shown to a "China Mail" reporter this morning and were in perfect condition, not a stitch being broken in the whole of the surface of the stout canvas.

It was pointed out that all those who jumped from the lower floors were safely caught in the canvas. Those who were killed were those who jumped from the fifth floor of the hotel building. They missed the canvas.

In this connection several things, it is pointed out officially, had to be taken into consideration, principally the height of the jump. From the fifth floor the jumping sheets spread out in the street below would necessarily appear a small target to jump straight into. Then it must be considered that the rescue work was carried out at night, and this, too, may have contributed to error of judgment on the part of the jumpers.

Injured Persons Improve

All five injured persons (General Chan Ming-shu, chairman of the Kwangtung Provincial Government, Mrs. Chan Ming-shu, Andre Piccioli of the U.S.S. "Memphis," To Chat and Ng Ka-yin of the hotel staff) spent as comfortable a night as could be expected and have made improvement.

They are all in better condition than yesterday.

Many prominent persons in the Colony visited General and Mrs. Chan yesterday, among them being H.E. the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G.) who was profusely thanked by General Chan, and Mr. Li Yau-tsun C.B.E., Chairman of the Hong Kong Chinese General Chamber of Commerce.

Excavation Held Up

That part of Ice House-street between Des Vœux-road and Chater-road has been fenced off, but the east side pavement is passable.

Excavation by the Sanitary Department was carried through all last night and this morning. It shows that not one of the storeys has had all its flooring carried away, there being pieces of each left. Most of the damage was above the main entrance, mostly in the direction of Des Vœux-road and partly up Ice House-street.

Up to this morning no body had been found. The second floor had been excavated. A part of the flooring of the third floor then stood in the way, the Public Works Department insisting on it being shored up before anybody will be allowed to go on to it. After the third floor, it is hoped to work on toward the top.

Arrangements have been made for a military funeral for Mr. D. J. Robson, Assistant Naval Store Officer at the R.N. Dockyard. The Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, of which he was a member, is sending a detachment and the 2nd Battalion the King's Own Scottish Borderers will provide the firing party. The cortege passes the Monument at 5 p.m.

It was also intended to inter the remains of Mr. P. Baille (Max Pickman, the illusionist) to-day but, the "China Mail" learned on inquiry, the papers for the three funerals had not been signed then.

The funeral of Leung Kwan, the room "boy," is also being held this afternoon, when the whole staff will attend.

Ambulance Aid

Exceptionally good work was done by the St. John Ambulance corps, who arrived promptly on the scene, assisting those who were injured. From 3.30 a.m. yesterday the members of the Corps rendered medical and other assistance to the injured, working assidously until dawn.

It is also worthy of note that the St. John Ambulance men turned out to assist victims and preserve order in the destructive fire on Saturday morning, when a three-storeyed building in Jervois-street was gutted, and the same duties was undertaken by them during the small hours of Sunday morning, when a Chinese house in Wing Lok-street was burned down.

The Third Floor

Five of the nine who perished in the disaster were on the 3rd floor, one on the 4th and three on the 5th (top).

From accounts of some of those who escaped, it appears that persons on the 3rd floors were in the greatest peril because the flames had practically cut off possible exits shortly after the alarm. Residents in rooms at a distance from the fire escape (on the western side, i.e., by the lane separating the hotel from Alexandra-building) had a chance in the first few minutes. Once that chance was lost, they were completely isolated.

Mr. P. Baille, Mr. Cheung Hai-kang (secretary to General Chan Ming-shu), Mr. and Mrs. Wong Kwok-leung of No. 36, Pak Tse-road, Canton, Mrs. Wong also being known as Dr. Tsui Kam-shi, and Leung Kwan a "boy," were all on the third floor. All five jumped into the streets and were killed.

Mr. and Mrs. Wong had only arrived in the hotel at 11 p.m., four hours before the outbreak. They had come down specially to meet their son who had been studying abroad and was returning. Much sympathy will be felt with Mr. Wong, Jr. in his bereavement.

Mr. & Mrs. Robson

Second-class Fireman Stephen Kish of the U.S.S. "Memphis," who with several other American bluejackets took night-beds, was on the 5th floor. His comrades escaped but Seaman Andrew Piccioli was injured.

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Robson were on the 6th floor as was Mr. William Woods and Mr. Enos Seth. The Robsons' room was at the corner of Des Vœux-road and the back lane so that they were cut off very shortly because the main staircase and landing was ablaze and they would have had to pass that way either to reach the fire escape or the Savoy Hotel. Mr. Woods, however, occupied a room adjoining the Savoy Hotel and near the fire escape. It is thought that, as the result of his previous illness, he failed to realise the situation and thereby lost his life.

Both the Robsons were short-sighted and, in view of what has been said by a boy who is now in hospital, it is presumed that with the smoke and because of the darkness they had little idea as to the position of the jumping sheet at the corner of the lane and the pavement. Their bodies were both badly mutilated by the fall. All with whom they came in contact and, particularly, the Hotel staff, speak very regretfully of their exemplary courtesy to everybody. They were in the prime of life and will be long remembered.

Tales of Survivors

To Chat, the room "boy" on the 3rd floor who was severely injured and is now in the Government Civil Hospital, has spoken about his experiences but, unfortunately, his condition is such that he is still prone to rambling in his talk. He says persistently, however, that from the 3rd floor he could not see the jumping sheet because of the smoke and the darkness. Faced with no alternative, however, and preferring to take a risk he leaped down.

There are two flights of stairs in the hotel; one, the main stairway of wood, which was burned out, and, the other, the fire escape, of stone, at the back of the building.

This fire escape leads off each floor upwards to the roof, whence there is a bridge across the lane to Alexandra-building, and down into the basement.

Down Drain Pipes

Some on the 3rd floor, when they were roused, failed to reach the fire escape or were too far away to climb along verandah ledges to the Savoy Hotel. In the meanwhile, those on floors higher up who had begun to move still had time to reach the fire escape. Those who began to move a little later were hemmed back by fire having eaten its way up the main staircase and the wooden landing.

A few of the hotel staff, like one or two of the American bluejackets, made considerable progress downwards by going through bathroom windows to the drain pipes and climbing down these.

Those who ran down the fire escape—some went up and over to Alexandra-building and safety—found themselves in the basement. Smoke had begun to fill the place and the reflections of the flames in the glass of the windows created an eerie effect, as though flames were reaching down on the ground floor and basement. The lock of the basement door (into the lane) was smashed and a number reached the street by that exit after having gone down the fire escape.

Property Dropped

The sensational speed with which the conflagration spread mitigated against any attempt by the staff to rally. All was confusion from the moment the alarm went round. A few got out with a handful of effects. Those who went over the roof dropped most of what they carried and this was consumed by the flames.

Of the staff of a hundred or so, only about thirty were on the premises at the time, the majority being in their quarters (near the fire escape or other exits) and the minority being made up of room boys on each floor.

The bar was closed as usual at midnight and, by about 12.45 a.m., all those who lived outside had gone and the rest of the employees had retired for the night.

Temporary quarters for the staff have been provided by the management in a Chinese hotel.

Insurance Figures

From further inquiries, it appears that the respective owners of the block of buildings and the two hotel companies are fully protected by insurance.

The China Land Investment Co., owners of the King Edward Hotel premises, have insured their interest in the building and the Hong Kong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd., mortgagees, have insurance for $275,000.

The Land Investment Co. are also owners of the Savoy Hotel premises, which are insured for $401,600 and two years' rental. Both the Land Investment Co.'s policies are with the Hong Kong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. which, it is stated, has re-insured on usual lines with other companies.

The Savoy Hotel's property is fully covered by insurance against fire, as is that of the King Edward Hotel, which has policies totalling $140,000.

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DEMAND FOR NEWSPAPERS

In view of the great demand of the "China Mail" yesterday and to-day, it has been decided to print a larger edition than usual of the "Overland China Mail," which will contain the full story of the catastrophe at the King Edward Hotel together with reports of the funerals of the unfortunate victims. This will enable our readers to send Home a complete and connected narrative of the whole disaster—the worst in the history of hotels in the Colony. The "Overland China Mail," the only illustrated weekly published locally, will be ready as usual in time to post by the Home-going mail. Orders for extra copies should be placed immediately to prevent disappointment.

WOODFULL GETS A CENTURY

THE FIFTH TEST

VERY PATIENT BATTING AT MELBOURNE

RYDER'S 1,000 RUNS

At Melbourne this morning Australia added 51 runs to their overnight score for the loss of another wicket, Ryder being caught in the gully off Tate after compiling most patiently the total of 80. Patient batting, in fact, characterised the play throughout, runs coming by ones and twos.

There was a crowd of 5,000 when the game reopened, states Reuter, in very hot weather, with the wicket on the fast side. Ryder made a couple of fours with drives to the off during the morning and these were the chief hits recorded. The "Aussie" skipper, in the course of his innings, completed his quota of 1,000 for Test cricket.

The 200 went up after 321 minutes' play and shortly after lunch was taken with the score 203 for three wickets. Ryder lost his wicket by the fifth ball of the last over.

ENGLAND—1ST INNINGS

J. B. Hobbs, l.b.w., b Ryder	142
D. R. Jardine, c Oldfield, b Wall	19
W. R. Hammond, c Fairfax, b Wall	38
E. Tyldesley, c Hornibrook, b Ryder	31
C. Duckworth, c Fairfax, b Hornibrook	12
E. Hendren, c Hornibrook, b Fairfax	95
M. Leyland, c Fairfax, b Oxenham	137
H. Larwood, b Wall	4
G. Geary, b Hornibrook	4
M. W. Tate, c substitute, b Hornibrook	15
J. C. White, not out	9
Extras	13
Total	519

Fall of wickets: 1 for 64 runs (Jardine), 2 for 146 (Hammond), 3 for 235 (Hobbs), 4 for 240 (Tyldesley), 5 for 260 (Duckworth), 6 for 401 (Hendren), 7 for 409 (Larwood), 8 for 428 (Geary), 9 for 470 (Tate), 10 for 519 (Leyland).

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Wall	49	8	123	3
Hornibrook	48	8	142	3
Oxenham	45.1	15	86	1
Grimmett	25	11	40	0
Fairfax	27	4	84	1
Ryder	18	5	29	2
Kippax	3	1	2	0

AUSTRALIA—1ST INNINGS

W. M. Woodfull, not out	102
A. Jackson, run out	30
A. F. Kippax, c Duckworth, b White	38
J. S. Ryder, c Hammond, b Tate	30
Extras	3
Total (for 3 wkts.)	203

Fall of wickets:—1 for 54 runs (Jackson), 2 for 143 (Kippax), 3 for 203 (Ryder).

REPARATIONS

FUNCTIONS OF PROPOSED NEW BANK

EXPERTS AGAIN MEET

London, Yesterday.

The Committee of Experts on Reparations held a plenary session this morning in Paris and discussed the functions of the proposed new international bank for dealing with reparation payments.

The Sub-committee, presided over by Lord Revelstoke, one of the British delegates, was appointed to draw up a report regarding the functions of the new bank especially in its relation to the exchange market and to measures to prevent heavy fluctuations in that market.

The new sub-committee will also consider how the new bank would stand in connection with the Central Banks of the issue and what credits its resources would be able to bear and, lastly, how the capital of the new bank would be constituted.—British Wireless Service.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR

The closing rate of the dollar on demand, to-day was 1/11 13/16.

LI CHAI-SUM ON HUNAN STRIFE

OPTIMISTIC VIEW

PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT OF IMBROGLIO LIKELY?

CONGRESS SECRETARIES

Shanghai, To-day.

Interviewed by Reuter, Marshal Li Chai-sum was optimistic as to the peaceful settlement of the Hunan imbroglio. Otherwise he was non-committal. He stated that he is arranging to leave for Nanking this evening.

Shanghai, Yesterday.

Marshal Li Chai-sum arrived this afternoon from Canton, and is staying with Mr. Chu Chang-nien, Counsellor of the Foreign Office.

Nanking, To-day.

The Central Executive Committee of the Nationalist Party has appointed Mr. Tai Chi-tao chief secretary and Mr. Yeh Chu-chang acting chief secretary of the third national congress of the Nationalist Party. The appointment of Mr. Yeh as acting chief secretary is because of Mr. Tai Chi-tao being in mourning.—Reuter.

Marshal Li is commander-in-chief of the National troops in Kwangtung and Kwangsi, chairman of the Canton branch of the Central Political Council and Chief of the National General Staff. When his very close colleague General Li Tsung-jen became embroiled with the National Government at Nanking following the Hunan coup, Marshal Li was appointed by Nanking as one of the commission to investigate. Marshal Li's visit to Nanking is to serve on the commission and to attend the third Nationalist Party congress.

Transports Active

Nanking, Yesterday.

Four transports full of pro-Nanking troops sailed up the Yangtsze River during the last 24 hours and about ten more transports are still anchored at Nanking.—British Naval Wireless.

48-HOUR WEEK

BRITISH GOVERNMENT ASKS FOR REVISION

LEGAL AMBIGUITY

Geneva, Yesterday.

At a meeting of the governing body of the International Labour Organisation, the Minister of Labour, Sir Arthur Steel-Maitland, expounded Great Britain's reasons for not ratifying the Washington forty-eight hour week Convention.

He said that Great Britain has always favoured the principles underlying the convention, both in theory and in practice. He also declared that British industries, with very few exceptions, have actually conformed to the Washington principles.

Sir Arthur emphasised the fundamental danger of ambiguity in international law, in so far as each nation is able to apply its own interpretation. The submission of ambiguities to the Permanent Court of International Justice was a remedy almost worse than the disease.

He further contended that these ambiguities warranted the governing body putting forward the Convention for revision.—Reuter.

HOME WEATHER

ENGLAND REVELLING IN MILD HEAT WAVE

London, Yesterday.

Great Britain and Europe generally are now revelling in a mild heat wave as a contrast to recent Arctic conditions.

There has been no rain, and the serious floods which were previously apprehended have not materialised.

Reports from Cologne state that the sun has assisted ice-breakers and the use of dynamite in averting a catastrophe. The milder weather on the lower Rhine has resulted in the breaking up of masses of ice which were packed near the frontier.

The floes have moved seaward before the snow waters from the mountains and the ice from the upper reaches have begun appreciably to move. It is, therefore, unlikely that the river will flood to any serious extent.—Reuter.

SIR SIDNEY BARTON AS MINISTER

IN ABYSSINIA

SHANGHAI CONSUL-GENERAL'S PROMOTION

DISTINGUISHED CAREER

His Majesty has approved of Sir Sidney Barton, H. M. Consul-General in Shanghai, to be Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary at Addis Ababa, Abyssinia.—Reuter.

Sir Sidney's Career

Sir Sidney Barton, K.B.E., C.M.G., who succeeded the late Sir Everard Fraser as Consul-General at Shanghai in 1922, was born in 1876. In 1895 he came to China as student interpreter, was employed on special service at Weihaiwei from December, 1899, till October, 1901, acting as Assistant Commissioner. Was interpreter to the British Contingent, China World Force, during operations at Tientsin, from June 26 till July 31, 1900. For his services then he received the China Medal with clasp and was mentioned in despatches. He was pro-Consul at Peking in 1901, and later Vice-Consul at Tientsin, and Shanghai. Employed in the Mixed Court at latter city and was called to the Bar at the Middle Temple in 1910. In 1911 he was Chinese Secretary at Peking and was awarded the C.M.G. in 1918. In 1917 he was given the local rank of 1st Secretary in the Diplomatic Service and of a Counsellor of Embassy in 1919. Was made a K.B.E. in 1926. Sir Sidney is the youngest son of the late Captain James Barton, R.N. and Mary Barbara, younger daughter of Sir David Barclay, 10th Baronet of Pierston, Ayrshire. He married in 1904, Miss Mary Ethel Winifred MacEwen, elder daughter of Mr. Alex Palmer MacEwan.

THE TUNNEL

IDEA STRONGLY WELCOMED BY LORD DERBY

RELATIONS WITH FRANCE

In all parts of England interest in the proposed construction of a tunnel under the Channel to connect England with the Continent is rapidly growing.

Men prominent in every sphere are publicly expressing their belief in the desirability of it.

In a special communication to the "Daily Mail," the Earl of Derby says:

As a private individual, wishing to see a better relationship between England and France, I strongly welcome the idea of a tunnel.

He mentioned that the matter came up for discussion recently at the Liverpool Chamber of Commerce, of which he is president, and recalled that he on that occasion gave his opinion that—

A tunnel would be of the greatest possible value in bringing about a closer relationship between the two countries (England and France), and there is no doubt a tunnel would materially assist the interchange of visits, both official and private.

Holiday Traffic

Then there was the second point of view which must be taken into consideration—namely, that if a tunnel would make it easier for people to come to England it would equally make it easier for people to go from England to the Continent.

There is a great attraction to holiday-makers to go abroad, and in some ways the attractions abroad outweigh the attractions we can offer at home, though one hopes that the balance may be altered soon. I felt therefore that we should have to think what effect holiday traffic through a tunnel would have on our own seaside resorts.

Lastly, there is the use of the tunnel for commercial purposes. Undoubtedly it would be a great advantage not having to break bulk, and being able to send goods right through to their destination; but, at the same time, it would have to be considered at what cost.

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CALCUTTA	NEW YORK
CANTON	PEKING
CAWNPORE	PENANG
CEBU	PESHAWAR
COLOMBO	RANGOON
DAIREN (Dalny, South Manchuria)	SAIGON
DELHI	SEMARANG
HAIPHONG	SEREMBAN
HAMBURG	SHANGHAI
HANKOW	SINGAPORE
HARBIN (N. Manchuria)	SOURABAYA
HONG KONG	TAIPING (F.M.S.)
ILOILO	TAVOY
IPOH	TIENTSIN
KARACHI	TOKYO
KLANG	TONGKAH (Bhuket)
KOBE	TSINGTAO
KUALA KANGSAR Perak (F.M.S.)	YOKOHAMA
	ZAMBOANGA (Philippine Islands)

Foreign Exchange and General Banking business transacted.
Current Accounts opened and Fixed Deposits received for 1 year or shorter periods at rates which will be quoted on application.
A. H. FERGUSON, Manager.
Hong Kong, 8th January, 1929.

THE BANK OF TAIWAN, LTD. (TAIWAN GINKO)

HEAD OFFICE:—Taipeh, Formosa.

Incorporated by Special Imperial Charter, 1899.

Central Bank in Formosa.
Bank-Notes issued
Average amount ....Yen. 45,000,000

BRANCHES AND AGENCIES:
JAPAN:—Tokyo, Yokohama, Kobe, Osaka.
FORMOSA:—Giran, Kagi, Karenko, Keelung, Makong, Nanto, Shinchiku, Taichu, Tainan, Takao, Tamsui, Toen, Heito, Taito.
CHINA:—Shanghai, Hankow, Amoy, Foochow, Swatow, Canton.
OTHERS:—Hong Kong, Singapore, Soerabaya, Semarang, Batavia, Bombay, Calcutta, London, New York, Dairen.
LONDON BANKERS:
The London County Westminster and Parr's Bank.

The Bank has Correspondents in the Commercial Centres in the European Continent, Russia, Manchuria, Tsingtao, Japan, Indo-China, Siam, India, Philippine Islands, Java, Africa, U.S.A., Australia, etc.
Interest allowed on Current Accounts, and Fixed Deposits at rates which will be quoted on application. Deposits in Yen can be accepted
K. NAGURA, Manager.

HONG KONG BRANCH:
3, Des Voeux Road Central.
Hong Kong, 19th January, 1929.

THE BANK OF CHINA. 中國銀行

(Specially Authorised by Presidential Mandate of the Republic of China on the 22nd of November, 1917).

Authorised Capital $50.000,000.00
Paid-up Capital 18,278,600.00
Reserve Fund 9,629,425.24

HEAD OFFICE: PEKING.

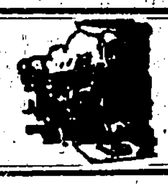
HONG KONG BRANCH:
4, Queen's Road Central.
Branches and Sub-branches all over China and Correspondents in Europe, America, and other parts of the world.
London Bankers:—The National Provincial and Union Bank of England, Ltd.
The Guaranty Trust Company of New York.
New York Bankers:—The Irving National Bank.
The Equitable Trust Company of New York.
Interest allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits. Terms on application.
Every description of Banking Business transacted.
Loans granted on approved securities.
Special facilities for Home Exchange.
SHOU J. CHEN, Manager.

THE BANK OF CANTON, LTD.

Established 1912.
Head Office:—Hong Kong.

Authorised Capital (H.K. Currency) ...$11,000,000
Paid Up Capital 6,000,000
Reserve Fund 600,000

BRANCHES:—
Canton, Shanghai, Hankow, Swatow, Saigon, New York and San Francisco.
LONDON BANKERS:—
The Lloyd's Bank Limited.
CORRESPONDENTS:
In all principal cities of the World.
Foreign exchange and banking business of every description transacted.
Fixed Deposit Rates (various lots) at 6 yearly rates of from 2% to 5%.
LOOK POONG SHAN, Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 19th February, 1927.



COMMERCE AND FINANCE.

THE VISIT TO RUSSIA

BRITISH INDUSTRIALISTS' PROJECTED PLANS

POWERFUL INTERESTS

The following article appeared recently in the "Financial News." It will, however, be remembered that a cable received a week or two ago stated that the proposed visit of British Industrialists had been postponed. It is, nevertheless, interesting to read what the powerful British were prepared to do towards a resumption of trade with Russia.

Russia has made it manifest that she needs Britain's help. A growing movement in favour of friendly relationship culminates in the projected visit of a delegation of representative of the leading industrial interests of this country to study Russian needs on the spot. From a practical point of view the biggest step taken by Great Britain towards a resumption of unfettered trade with Russia has taken concrete form in the decision reached recently by important manufacturing interests to take prompt action for the extension of our export trade to Russia.

A glance at the names detailed below will at once convince the British public as a whole, and more particularly those who have been lukewarm in their attitude towards the resumption of business between the two countries that something more than "a gesture" is indicated.

The Savoy Hotel was the venue of an influential gathering of manufacturers and others interested in the resumption of free and unfettered trade between Great Britain Russia. At this meeting the resolution passed unanimously was to the effect that "the intimation from the Russian Government that they will welcome a delegation of British industrialists should command the attention of leaders of manufacturing and other interests in this country."

The meeting therefore resolved "to take immediate action to institute a representative delegation to proceed to Russia not later than March 8." Significance attaches to the date inasmuch as it indicates a determination to prompt action, and in this determination to take advantage of the passing of winter and the reopening of Russian industrial and agricultural activity.

Varied Interests

Mention of agriculture brings into prominence the big names associated with the manufacture of steel and allied goods. Thus it is found that the following are repsesented:—

Sir W. C. Armstrong, Whitworth and Co. for all classes of engineering, including railways.
Ruston and Hornsby.
Ransomes, Sims and Jefferies.
Clayton and Shuttleworth, for a wide range of agricultural implements and machinery.
Wm. Beardmore and Co., for general engineering.
Mather and Platt, for textile machinery.
Stewarts and Lloyds, the great steel tube and general engineering firm.
Baker, Perkins and Co., for general engineering work.

Motor Interests

On the transport side the following group of powerful interests are represented:—

The Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders.
The Dunlop Rubber Co.
Leyland Motors.
Associated Equipment Co.

Linked up with these are the road-making and constructional building industries represented by:—

British Portland Cement Co.
Colas Asphalt Products.

On general services the following are supporters:—

Associated British Machine Tool Makers.
Rowntree and Co.
Dental Manufacturing Co.
A. F. Craig and Co., Paisley.
Pickerings of Wishaw.

Other Influential Powers

Importance also attaches to the names of influential gentlemen representative of other interests. Thus:—

Mr. George Balfour, M.P., so well known in the electrical tramways and power world.
Major Guy Kindersley, M.P., who is a stockbroker, and in addition to catering has a wide interest in many directions.
Messrs. J. and A. Scrimgeour, also stockbrokers with wide interests.
Sir Ernest Wm. Moir who is a director of Callenders Cable and the Anchor Cable Cos., as well as the S. Bearson and Son contracting department.
Mr. C. Hadfield Wright.
Mr. W. H. Askew.
Mr. Ernest Remnant.

The Bankers' Attitude

It must be remembered that towards the end of last October an international Committee of Bankers having interests with Russia was formed. Associated with many important European houses were our own Council of Foreign Bondholders and the Russian Bondholders' (Issuing Houses) Committee.

While these interests may find their policy confined to extracting full recognition of Russia's pre-war indebtedness, it will be appreciated that the trade delegates may consider themselves free to negotiate off their own bat. The International Banking Committee declared itself as without political aim, and the various associations bound themselves not to conclude any separate settlement with Russia in respect of pre-war obligations.

It is possible that the action of British trade interests may invoke a statement from the Banking Committee as to progress made to date.

Leaving on 25th inst.

Since the above was written, Reuter has circulated the following telegram from London, and dated March 6:—

The British trade delegation to Russia on 25th inst. will represent 150 prominent firms. Mr. Douglas Hamilton, President of the Bradford Chamber of Commerce, will represent the woollen industry.

It was stated at a meeting to-day that the Russian Government have adopted an eminently friendly and helpful attitude towards the visit.

BARCLAY'S BANK

CHAIRMAN'S INTERESTING REVIEW

THE OUTLOOK

Mr. F. C. Goodenough, Chairman of Barclay's Bank, Ltd., speaking at the bank's 34th annual general meeting of the shareholders—held at the Cannon Street Hotel, London, G.C., on Jan. 17, said, inter alia:—

Referring to the Balance Sheet, you will see that the total of the Current and Deposit Accounts with the Bank on December 31 last amounted to the sum of £335,081,222 12s. 2d., which compares with the total of £318,373,471 17s. 6d. on December 31, 1927, and represents, therefore, a substantial and satisfactory increase.

The increase is due chiefly to the large number of new accounts opened with the Bank during the past year at almost all our Branches, but more especially at Branches in the London and Metropolitan areas, in which the continued growth, both of population and business generally, consitutes one of the features of the present day. This increase in the number of accounts shows that the proportion of the total population making use of banking facilities is steadily growing, and this is due both to the higher level of wages in certain directions since the War and to the general spread of wealth throughout the country, with the result that there are more people than formerly who are in a position to open banking accounts. This must be for the benefit of the community as a whole, especially at the present time, when all the resources of the country are needed for financial and industrial developments.

The turnover of the Bank, as calculated by the total debits passed to accounts of customers, shows an appreciable increase over the figure of the previous year, which, to that time, was itself a record.

A large amount of new business, including many new accounts, has come to us through our Dominion and Colonial Bank and our other overseas Subsidiaries. Those institutions have also derived similar benefits through the business which we have been able to direct to them. We have drawn much more closely together the organization of our overseas banking Subsidiaries, with the object of providing the most efficient service for customers especially those engaged in the export and import trades. Our activities in this respect have been attended by very satisfactory results.

We have decided lately to apply for a Charter for the establishment of a Subsidiary in Canada, with an office in Montreal and possibly in one or two other centres in the Dominion. This step should be of special importance to our Dominion and Colonial Bank, as it would link up their West Indian business more directly with Canada. The trade between Canada and the West Indies, which is already large and increasing, should derive great benefit from the Commercial Treaty between the Dominion and the British West Indies, as well as from the inauguration of the new direct steamship service between them. The new Bank in Canada would also provide facilities for Canadian trade with Great Britain and other places abroad where we are established, besides assisting in developments in the Dominion, which are likely to show great activity in the near future.

During the year, our Dominion and Colonial Bank has made substantial and satisfactory progress and is becoming an increasingly important financial institution.

The Profit and Loss Account

Returning to the Balance Sheet, our Profits for the year ended December 31 last, after making provision for losses which may be incurred in connection with advances to Customers owing to the serious and prolonged state of depression in many of the chief industries of the country, amount to the sum £2,301,235 9s. 5d., which is approximately the same as for the preceding year, although the actual amount of funds in the hands of the Bank for employment has been larger during the past year. On the other hand, rates of discount and for short loans in the market as well as for certain other advances, have been lower than in the preceding year, and the Bank Rate has remained at £4 10s. per cent. throughout the year, as compared with an average rate of £4 13s. per cent. during the preceding year.

The appropriations out of Profits are set out in the Report and the Board recommend the payment of dividends at the same rate as in previous years, which they think should be considered as being both satisfactory and prudent, having regard to the existing conditions.

Industrial Conditions

At the date of our Annual General Meeting last year, there were distinct signs of industrial improvement and of a more hopeful outlook. Unfortunately, a change has since taken place and expectations were not realised, although, quite lately, the iron and steel industries and certain allied trades have shown some improvement. The coal industry, however, continues to be in a very bad state and so also are sections of the Lancashire cotton industry. On the other hand, what are commonly known as the finishing sections in certain industries and those engaged with the production of articles of luxury, as well as certain of the newer industries, such as artificial silk, etc., are in a much more satisfactory condition, and some are doing very well. This means that the British workman continues to maintan his old-time ability for skilled manufacture. It should be borne in mind that this country, has not as yet, save only with a very few exceptions, proved itself to be entirely suited for mass production on a great scale, chiefly because of the comparatively limited home market, owing to the smaller population, as compared, for instance, with America. In the case of World market, the variety in the needs and tastes of customers has also proved a limiting factor. On the other hand, we have always been foremost in the production of high trade goods. There have been large profits made in the past by the skilled industries of the country and there seems to be no reason why, with better organization and the cheapening of costs of production, the same results should not be possible in the future. The Board of Trade returns relating to our foreign trade show that the total exports of British manufactured goods during the past year have increased as compared with the previous year, but notwithstanding these favourable features, which should not be ignored, the depression in the heavy industries is so serious as to create a general feeling that our industrial organization is not as it should be. There is also much distress in the coalfields and elsewhere owing to unemployment.

The Outlook

Looking, however, to the future, there is, in my opinion, ample ground for a confident and hopeful feeling, as great efforts are being made to place the depressed industries on a more satisfactory footing, both as regards economy and efficiency, through the great combinations of interests which are taking place, some of which have already been publicly announced, while others will shortly follow.

Much is also being done to develop new outlets for trade and to improve the marketing of our goods on more scientific lines. On the other hand, there are no signs of a reduction in the tariff barriers if taken as a whole. These barriers tend substantially to reduce international trade and it seems that if we are to regain our full pre-War volume of foreign trade, steps must be taken to reorganize upon more economical and efficient lines many of our industries which are specially subject to foreign competition.

There is a somewhat better feeling with regard to Agriculture, largely owing, no doubt, to the good harvest in many parts and the opportunity afforded by weather conditions to get the land into better order. At the same time, prices have been somewhat disappointing, especially in the case of corn, but there seems to be a general expectation that they should improve, particularly in the case of live stock, owing to the growing shortage of meat supplies in certain directions. This may lead to a wider market for exported meat from the Argentine and other producing countries, which might have the effect of reducing the amount available for this market and lead to higher prices here. The Government scheme for long-term credit is now in operation and should be of substantial benefit to many farmers who have found difficulty during the bad times where farms have been mortgaged. Provided mortgage accommodation can be found under the new scheme at suitable rates, the farmer should be able to look forward to being in a position to retain in his family the land which he has acquired, and there is no greater encouragement to the farming industry than security of tenure, which is the best means of securing the expert knowledge and skill that are required to carry on the difficult business of farming. With the reduction in rating, and if we are fortunate in having another good season and somewhat improved prices, the farmer should be in a better position than during the last few years.

Nominal quotations are follows:—
No. 10s. $178-194. No. 12s. $185-195. No. 16s. $195-200. No. 20s. $200-210.
Arrivals 600 bales. Shipments nil. Sales nil. Unsold Stock 700 bales.
Bargains 5,500 bales.
Raw Cotton.—No sales to report.

LOCAL IMPORTS

CHAMBER'S FORTNIGHTLY REPORT

PIECE GOODS NOTES

In the fortnightly report of the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce the following remarks are taken from the section on imports:—

Cotton Piece Goods and Fancy Cotton Goods.—A distinctly improved tone is noticeable in our market since our last report and sales have been more numerous and assorted over White and Grey Shirtings, Pongees, Reversible Coatings and various Fancy styles suitable for summer where early shipment can be given. Deliveries of Spring cargo are good and profits fair. Cotton prices have taken an upward move and are now considered on a safe basis for buying commitments falling due this year.

Another report states:

The market has shown some improvement and further business has been done in Grey and White Shirtings, Cotton Mattings, Velvets and Fancies. Clearances have been satisfactory and there seems to be a good demand for spring cargo. Manchester prices remain firm.

Woollens.—A few orders for Black Wool Venetians, Wool Twills and Cap Tweeds have been booked. There have been enquiries for Union Flannels and Continental goods, which will probably result in new business. Clearances of woollen cargo are now very limited.

Cotton Yarn.—A small forward business has been done at previous rates in chops which are in good demand.

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HONG KONG MARKET PRODUCE.

APPROXIMATE RETAIL PRICES.

Butcher Meat.

			Mar. 8, 1929. Cts.	June, 1918. Cts.	June, 1914. Cts.
Beef Sirloin	牛尾把	lb.	25	24	12
„ Prime Cut		„	28	28	11
„ Corned	咸牛肉	„	34	23	12
„ Roast	燒牛肉	„	28	24	22
„ Breast	牛腩	„	26	20	18
„ Soup	滷肉	„	24	20	18
„ Steak	牛排	„	28	24	22
„ Steak Sirlon	牛柳	„	40	30	35
„ Sausages	牛腸	„	40	26	20
Bullock's Brains	牛腦	per set	15	10	12
„ Tongue, fresh	牛腦	each	65	50	60
„ Tongue, corned	咸牛腦	„	—	60	—
„ Head	牛頭	„	$1.20	—$1.20	
„ Heart	牛心	lb.	24	18	14
„ Hump, Salt	牛肩	„	34	20	18
„ Feet	牛腳	each	10	10	12
„ Kidneys	牛腰	„	15	10	12
„ Tail	牛尾	„	28	20	22
„ Liver	牛肝	lb.	24	18	14
„ Tripe	牛肚	„	8	6	7
Calves' Head & Feet	牛仔頭腳	set	$1.20	$1.00	$1.00
Mutton Chop	羊排骨	lb.	45	26	—
„ Leg	羊腳	„	45	28	—
„ Shoulder	羊手肉	„	44	24	—
„ Saddle	羊鞍	„	45	—	—
Pig's Chitlings	猪腸	„	30	—	27
„ Brains	猪腦	Per set	5	—	12
„ Feet	猪腳	lb.	16	15	—
„ Fry	猪什	„	28	15	18
„ Head	猪頭	„	18	20	—
„ Heart	猪心	each	15	10	10
„ Kidneys	猪腰	„	15	10	3
„ Liver	猪肝	lb.	48	30	24
Pork Chop	猪排骨	„	34	25	23
„ Leg	猪後腿	„	34	—	—
„ Loin	猪後腿	„	40	60	70
„ Fat or Lard	猪油	„	24	21	—
Sheep's Head & Feet	羊頭腳	per set	92	60	70
„ Heart	羊心	each	11	8	7
„ Kidneys	羊腰	„	15	12	10
„ Liver	羊肝	„	46	26	25
Sucking Pigs, to order	乳猪	lb.	25	25	22
Suet, Beef	鮮牛油	„	30	20	18
„ Mutton	鮮羊仔油	„	45	26	26
Veal	牛仔肉	„	30	20	20
„ Sausages	牛仔腸	„	32	—	—
„ „ No. 1		„	28	—	—

Fish.

Barbel	蛟魚	lb.	36	16	24
Bream	鳳尾魚	„	26	20	16
Canton Fresh Water Fish.	省城淡水魚	„	24	12	16
		„	26	16	27
Carp	鯉魚	„	32	12	9
Catfish	鯰魚	„	24	16	27
Codfish	鱈魚	„	36	23	26
Crabs	蟹	„	36	16	27
Cuttle Fish	魚	„	32	23	16
Dab		„	22	20	—
Dace	黃鰭	„	16	10	8
Dog Fish	海狗魚	„	35	16	—
Eels, Conger	白鰻	„	24	10	18
„ Fresh Water	淡水鰻	„	46	26	30
„ Yellow	黃鰻	„	48	32	25
Frogs	田鷄	„	66	40	30
Garoupa	石斑魚	„	22	22	18
Gudgeon	白甲魚	„	26	18	23
Herrings	鯖魚	„	25	18	15
Halibut	鞋底魚	„	34	22	18
Labrus	黃鳥	„	72	22	24
Loach	鰍魚	„	35	32	21
Lobsters	蝦	„	22	20	26
Mackerel	鯖魚	„	27	13	2
Monk Fish	鮟鱇魚	„	34	13	2
Mullet	烏頭魚	„	62	16	22
Oysters	蠔	„	26	14	9
Parrot Fish	鸚哥魚	„	36	20	15
Perch	花鱸	„	16	16	9
Pike	白鮓魚	„	35	26	29
Plaice	比目魚	„	36	36	30
Pomfret, White	白鯧	„	38	36	45
Pomfret, Black	黑鯧	„	46	10	14
Prawns	蝦	„	16	10	14
Ray	魟魚	„	22	13	18
Rock Fish	石鯛	„	38	22	10
Roach	沙魚	„	76	36	30
Salmon	鮭魚	„	16	8	10
Shark	鯊魚	„	12	10	10
Skate	魟魚	„	36	32	30
Shrimps	蝦米	„	64	26	35
Snapper	立魚	„	32	23	23
Soles	左口魚	„	16	23	13
Tench	沙魚	„	22	15	13
Turbot	比目魚	„	145	40	—
Turtles, small & water					

Poultry.

			Mar. 1929. Cts.	June, 1918. Cts.	June, 1914. Cts.
Chicken	鷄	lb.	55	30	31
Capons, Small	線鷄	„	50	28	30
Capons, Large	肥線鷄	„	60	28	30
Duck	鴨	„	40	22	21
Doves	班鳩	each	—	22	21
Eggs, Hen (cooking)	鷄蛋	per doz.	28	18	—
Eggs, Hen (fresh)	新鮮鷄蛋	„	32	25	20
Fowls, Canton	本地鷄	lb.	65	36	24
Fowls, Hainan	海南鷄	„	50	35	24
Geese	鵝	„	40	24	24
Pigeons, Canton	白鴿	each	60	30	—
„ Hoihow	海口鴿	„	48	28	—
Turkeys, Cock	火鷄公	lb.	—	—	—
Turkeys, Hen	火鷄	„	—	51	45
Snipe	沙追	each	—	—	—
Pheasant	山鷄	pair	1.80	—	—
Quail	鶉	each	35	—	2
Partridges	鷓鴣	„	1.00	—	—

Fruits.

Almonds	杏仁	lb.	40	35	—
Apples (California)	金山柿果	„	22	24	—
Bananas (bride's)	蕉山香蕉	„	5	4	—
Carambola	楊桃	„	—	12	—
Cocoanuts	椰子	each	12	10	10
Lemons, China	檸檬	lb.	10	25	30
Lemons (America)	金山檸檬	each	8	8	—
Lichees, Dried	荔枝干	lb.	—	25	30
Oranges (Canton)	新會甜橙	„	15	—	—
Oranges	橙	„	20	—	15
Pears (Canton)	沙梨	„	15	—	—
Peanuts	花生	„	12	10	12
Persimmons, Large	紅柿	„	—	12	—
Plantain	大蕉	„	5	3	—
Pumelo, Siam	暹羅柚	each	15	12	6
Walnuts	合桃	lb.	18	—	16
Grapes	葡萄子	„	—	—	—

Vegetables, &c.

Artichokes	鴉芝竹菜	each	12	—	8
Beans, Sprout	芽豆菜	lb.	6	—	7
„ Long	豆角	„	10	—	—
Beet Root	紅頭菜	„	—	8	—
Bitter Squash	苦瓜	„	10	24	—
Brinjals, Green	青瓜	„	8	5	8
„ Red	紅瓜菜	„	6	5	8
Cabbage, Chinese	乔菜	„	8	—	—
„ (Shanghai)	上海菜	„	12	12	—
Cane Shoots, bunch	竹筍	„	10	—	—
Cauliflower (Large)	大椰菜花	each	15	—	—
„ (Medium)	中椰菜花	„	12	—	—
„ (Small)	細椰菜花	„	10	6	6
Carrots	金塘菜	lb.	8	6	6
Celery, Chinese	奧菜	„	10	10	6
Chillies, Dried	干辣椒	„	20	25	5
„ Red	紅辣椒	„	12	10	16
„ Green	青辣椒	„	10	8	12
Curry Stuff, English	咖喱粉材料	„	10	8	—
Cucumbers	青瓜	„	12	2	—
Garlic	蒜子	„	10	6	6
Ginger, Young	薑	„	8	7	—
„ Old	老薑	„	12	10	—
Horseradish, Shanghai		„	30	8	4
Indian Corn	粟米菜	„	10	45	—
Lettuce	生菜	„	6	1	—
Water Chesnuts	馬蹄	„	8	—	8
„ Mandarin	桂林馬蹄	„	10	—	8
Mushrooms, Fresh	鮮草菰	„	—	—	3
Okroes		„	—	1	10
Onions, Bombay	洋葱頭	„	10	8	3
„ Green	生葱	„	6	4	6
„ Shanghai	上海葱頭	„	8	6	—
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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 4th day of March, 1929 to WEDNESDAY, the 13th day of March, 1929, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
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Hong Kong, 21st Feb., 1929.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTIETH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING will be held at the Company's Offices, P. & O. Building, on FRIDAY, 22nd March, 1929, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1928, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from 11th March, 1929, to 22nd March, 1929, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

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THE SIXTIETH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on TUESDAY, the 26th March, 1929, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1928.

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WEALTH A DANGER

The wills of a Salmon and of a Gluckstein, heads of the great Lyon's firm, have been published in close succession, and in each the testator expressed a belief that the expectation of riches was harmful to young people, writes Edith Shackleton in the "Daily Express."

Rich men often suffer from this fear that their wealth is a danger to their immediate heirs, so often that I sometimes wonder if rich men forget their own early youth more completely than the rest of us. It must be rarely indeed that a very young child is harmed, or greatly affected at all, by the knowledge that he will inherit a fortune later on, since nearly every child has in his own imagination a far more glorious future than any the richest of fathers could ever secure for him.

Which of us would have had the heart to grow up at all had we supposed we were going to be the ordinary men and women we have in fact become? Were we not all sustained by a delicious certainty of vague splendour and delight which might begin to occur almost any moment?

When the child says he is going to be an omnibus conductor or a sailor he does not mean that he will be one of the humdrum, humble fellow we know in these employments. As many poets have pointed out, we may see a bird or a flower. "But not like that the child has seen," and the child does not see our omnibus conductor, but a glorious creature of dominance and covetable possessions.

His sailor sails uncharted faery seas, still encounters mermaids and pirates, and now brings a monkey to the Court of Queen Elizabeth, now dies heroically in Trafalgar Bay.

How could the knowledge of mere money waiting for him in the bank upset the central figure of dreams like these?

Do we not give the children persistent hints of great fortunes in all the fairy tales? When every little boy knows that there is a pot of gold at the rainbow's end and every little girl knows that there may come riding by, however neglectedly one may be sitting among the cinders, in "a fairy prince with joyful eyes," how could the comparatively dull news that one was mentioned in Uncle Arthur's will prove a distraction?

And though we tell the fairly tales, they are really the children's own, since men made them in the childhood of civilisation. If we did not pass on the ready-made fairy princes and Cinderellas and changelings that solaced our own infancies, the children would invent them for themselves.

Nearly every child at one time pretends that he is a changeling, the counterpart of the prince reared in the woodcutters hut. Psychologists say that this is due to the child's subconscious memories of its own soft and guarded babyhood, but, whatever its origin, the imaginative habit of assuming a glorious inheritance is there and surely a fortification against the ill-effects of subsequent knowledge of actual wealth and power to come.

Probably the two affectionate fathers of the now famous wills whose earnest desire for their children's welfare kept them from that barbarous desire of many rich men to have all their riches held by one descendant or by a very few were thinking more of adolescence than childhood, but even so, I think their fears were unfounded.

When a rich man's son turns spendthrift, when a rich man's daughter proves a fool, we all hear of these developments, while the improvidence and foolishness of the dowerless go unrecorded.

It is not true that rich parentage automatically produces idleness and folly. If it were we should have no ancient families, such as you can find by the score in Debrett, who have been holding tight to the same bits of land since the Conquest or before it.

The fact is that acquisitiveness and thrift are inherited characteristics and at least as likely to occur in the children of the rich as in those of the people who have never themselves acquired anything worth making a will about.

A possibility, even a certainty, of future power and distinction is surely a help rather than a hindrance to the average young person. As a rule the adolescent boy or girl is pathetically eager for

Doris Kenyon.

self improvement, and not only longs to have all the graces and accomplishments appropriate to high estate, but is willing and eager to work for them.

It is in the periods of depression during which the boy or girl suddenly stops dreaming and realises a drab, undistinguished future lying ahead that moral degeneration is likely to take place.

More boys, I think, must have abandoned studies for a profession in a dismal certainty that owing to their lack of money the struggle was useless than have done so because it was clear that they would always have enough to live comfortably without working at all.

For a girl the certainty of wealth ahead is often beneficial because it keeps her from the temptation to marry for money, which does not distract a boy.

If I had some children and a lot of money I do not think I should try to keep from the children the sense of security that money brings. And if I had a lot of children and no money at all I should invent for their improvement and encouragement an uncle in the Antipodes who might die some day and leave them so much money that it would be scandalous if they were not clever and charming enough to deserve it.

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He was an adventurer of the Elizabethan type. As a young man he was a victim of the gold fever. He was articled to a Peterborough doctor, but abandoned his articles to join in the gold rush at Mount Alexander. Gold digging failed to make his fortune, and he had to work as a gardener, a gold buyer, a paperhanger, a painter, and a conveying and engrossing clerk before he came back to England in 1895 to complete his studies at Guy's Hospital and take his degree.

The P. and O. service then attracted him. Like Sir Frederick Trevers, in his classical book on the "Elephant Man," he could recall the time when surgeons performed operations with the aid of unskilled "Sarah Gamp" nurses smoking clay pipes.

Camberwell in his earlier days was full of wealthy people. In the late 'Sixties he recalled a case where a member of his profession performed an operation on a lady and left the house with a thousand guineas in his pocket, though the lady died two days afterwards. Camberwell people were then wealthy, and once when he was a sidesman in Camden Church the offertory amounted to £2,600.

For literary work on Australia and Australian cricket—he played in the two first inter-colonial matches—he received the thanks of Queen Victoria, King Edward VII., and King George V. and other members of the Royal Family. He was knighted in 1922.

He has left three daughters, two of whom are doctors, and a son, who is also in the medical profession. One of the daughters, Dr. Helen Serjeant has received an illuminated address presented by the Borough Council because her book on "Hints on Infant Feeding" had reduced infant mortality in Camberwell by 20 per cent.—"Morning Post."

The wedding took place in St. Andrew's Cathedral, Singapore, on March 1 of Mr. A. C. Twyford, Asst. Supt. of Surveys, Segamat, Johore and Miss Edith Ward, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Ward of Christchurch, New Zealand.

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The general arrangement plans fo the "Asama Maru" and "Tatsuta Maru," published on the opposite page, are not quite exact, as certain alterations have since been made. A good general idea of the layout of the ship, however, can be gained from the drawings, and we shall publish the final arrangement plans in due course. The following are the main particulars:—

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The vessels will have two funnels, somewhat lower in height than those of the average steamer. The smoking-room, lounge and music-room are on B deck, whilst there is a verandah on the boat deck. The entrance is on the deck below, whilst on D deck are the dining saloons for first and second-class passengers, with the galley between them. The third-class dining saloons are located on E deck. A feature of the first-class accommodation is the number of passenger cabins on D deck, provided with adjoining bathrooms.

The vessel has three complete decks (the upper, No. 2 and No. 3 decks, also No. 4 deck, the bridge deck and boat deck. In the double bottom, fore and aft, fuel oil, drinking water and boiler water are carried, whilst some of the double-bottom tanks, deep tanks and both peak tanks are for water ballast. The frames are spaced from 24 ins. to 27 ins. apart. There are special lock-up spaces in the holds and large cargo spaces, as well as cargo oil compartments.

The officers and engineers are accommodated on the boat deck, and at the forward end of the house incorporating the officers' cabins is the captain's bridge with captain's room and chartroom. A swimming pool and gymnasium are arranged on E deck. The steering gear is of the electro-hydraulic type and a Sperry gyro compass with an automatic steerer is fitted. The windlass and winches are electrically driven and a punkah louvre system of ventilation is arranged. A passenger lift is provided besides one for baggage and provisions, and there are motor lifeboats as well as Fleming self-propelled lifeboats.

Four Sulzer-type engines are installed, each developing 3,875 b.h.p. at 115 r.p.m. to 120 r.p.m. and having eight cylinder 680 mm. bore with a piston stroke of 1,000 mm. Scavenging air is supplied from separate electrically driven blowers, of which there are three. There are four piston-cooling and circulating sea-water pumps, three jacket-water fresh-water pumps and four cross-head bearing oil pumps. The generators comprise four Allen dymamos, each coupled to a 450-kw. 225-volt generator, in addition to which there is an auxiliary Diesel set of 100 kw. In all of these vessels British deck gear is utilized. There are 12 5-ton Scott winches and four of the 3-ton type. For the Wilson windlass a 140 h.p. Scott motor is utilised, and there are four Napier 15-ton capstans with 145 b.h.p. Scott motors and two 5-ton Napier captains with 75 b.h.p. motors. Eight Welin MacLachlan gravity davits and eight boat controls are fitted. Two cylindrical boilers, 7 ft. diameter with a length of 7 ft. 6 ins., are installed, working at 120 lb. per sq. in.

NAVAL MOVEMENTS

FLAGSHIP AND DESTROYERS LEAVE PORT

There were several departures from Hong Kong this morning of units on the China Station.

H.M.S. "Kent," flagship, left for Shanghai for a short visit.

H.M.S. "Bruce," flotilla leader of the 8th Destroyer Flotilla, and H.M.S. "Seraph" and "Somme," destroyers, sailed for Amoy. H.M.S. "Sterling" and "Stormcloud," destroyers, sailed for Swatow.

A fine of $10 or 10 days' jail was imposed by the Marine Magistrate yesterday on the master of a fishing junk for using bright lights to take fish in a prohibited area off Cape Collinson. On further charges of depositing rubbish in the harbour and failing to stop when called upon by the police, the defendant was fined $10 and $50, respectively.

TYNE SHIPPING

H.R.H. VISITS JARROW SHIPYARD

EFFECTS OF DEPRESSION

Jarrow.—By visiting Jarrow recently the Prince of Wales extended his inquiries to the conditions prevailing in the shipyards and steelworks. He conversed with many steelworkers and blast furnace men at Messrs. Palmers' works, some of whom had not worked for about eight years, while others had only had less than two years' employment since 1920, when the works were practically closed down.

The Prince asked many questions of Mr. A. B. Gowan, the managing director of Messrs. Palmers, who said that in 1922 about 12,000 men were employed, but at present only 3,000 are working mostly in shipyards. The blast furnaces and steelworks in normal times employ more than 2,000, but only 30 men are now working. "We hope that things will shortly improve, and that we shall be able to start again," Mr. Gowan remarked to the Prince.

The Prince walked round the shipyard, and commented upon the empty berths and asked questions about H.M.S. "York," which was launched in July last by the Duchess of York.

THAMES COLLISION

HOUSE OF LORDS RESERVE JUDGMENT

London.—In the House of Lords, Lord Buckmaster, Viscounts Dunedin and Summer, and Lord Blanesburgh (with Vice-Admiral C. H. Morgan and Captain R. H. R. Morrell as nautical assessors) reserved judgment in the appeal of the owners of the steamer "Hero", from a judgment of the Court of Appeal which, varying a judgment of Mr. Justice Hill, held the "Hero" alone to blame for a collision with the dumb barge "Madras," in Limehouse Reach of the River Thames, on January 8, 1927.

Mr. Justice Hill found the "Hero" one-fourth to blame and the tug "Gusty" three-fourths to blame. The main issue on the pleadings and at the trial was whether the "Gusty," a steam tug with six barges in tow, had crossed the river and had got heading up river well over on the north side of the fairway and close to certain barge roads, when the "Hero" starboarded her helm and ran into the "Madras," or whether the "Gusty" and her tow were crossing the river at the time of the collision and brought the collision about by improperly trying to cross ahead of the downcoming "Hero," which was at the time of the collision in about mid-channel.

Mr. Butler Aspinall, K.C., and Mr. Alfred Bucknill (instructed by W. A. Crump and Son, Leadenhall-street) were for the appellants. Respondents were represented by Mr. George Langton, K.C., and Mr. K. S. Carpmeal (instructed by Ingledow, Sons and Brown, Great St. Helens).

When Mr. Langton K.C., rose to address their lordships on behalf of the respondents, Lord Buckmaster, who presided, intimated that he thought it would be unnecessary to hear the respondents, but that if they desired to hear them later they would be notified.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" arrived at Nagasaki on March 10 (Sun.) at 1.30 p.m., left Nagasaki on March 11 (Mon.) at 6 a.m., and was due at Kobe on March 12 (today) at 6 a.m.

The P. & O. s.s. "Naldera" left Singapore for this port on March 10 at 5 p.m. with the outward English Mails, and is due here on March 15 at about 6 a.m.

The M.V. "Nanking" (Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.), left Antwerp on March 6, and is due here on or about April 10.

Projected arrivals at and departures from Hong Kong of steamers under the management of the Bank Line, Ltd., are as follows:—

Arrivals at Hong Kong

S.S. "City of Delhi" from Europe, March 17.

S.S. "City of Khios" from New York via Suez, March 25.

The s.s. "City of Glasgow" from Europe, April 17.

The s.s. "Glenbank" from New York via Panama, April 22.

The s.s. "Comliebank" from New York via Panama, April 26.

The s.s. "City of Newcastle" from New York via Suez, May 1.

Departures From Hong Kong

S.S. "City of Delhi," for Shanghai and Japan, March 18.

The s.s. "City of Dunkirk" for Manila and U.S.A., March 18.

The s.s. "City of Khios" for Manila and U.K., March 28.

The s.s. "City of Khartoum" for Singapore and Europe, April 2.

The s.s. "City of Glasgow" for Shanghai and Japan, April 18.

The s.s. "Tinhow" for Saigon and South Africa, April 18.

The s.s. "Glenbank" for Haiphong, April 26.

The s.s. "Comliebank" for Shanghai and Chinwangtao, April 27.

The s.s. "City of Delhi" for Singapore and U.K., May 9.

10,000-TON TRAMPS

The size of these vessels is interesting. As ships go nowadays, 10,000 tons is nothing out of the way, but it is, nevertheless, a good size for a tramp steamer. Most of the tramps lately ordered range from 8,000 to 9,000 tons, which seems to be the popular size, but quite a number of 10,000-tonners are building, and as such ships should be economical carriers, the tendency is gradually setting towards that size. A 10,000 ton ship cannot, however, go everywhere, and the assumption is that vessels of this size are intended for a certain round of trade routes.

SHIP'S STABILITY

UNITED STATES COMMITTEE'S REPORT

PROPOSED REGULATIONS

The report of the special committee appointed by the American Marine Standards Committee to consider the question of the stability and loading of ships has now been approved by the Council. According to Mr. David Arnott, the American Bureau of Shipping's chief surveyor, the principal modification of the original draft proposed in the reduction of the standard G.M. for the light ship condition from 15in. to 16in. in the case of single-bottom ships, and from 9in. to neutral in the case of vessels having double bottoms. There is also an amendment to the wind heel formula, which results in smaller G.M.'s than have been previously required for all vessels except those of the largest ocean-going types.

The report represents, Mr. Arnott states, the first attempt to lay down regulations for stability. A considerable body of opinion, he says, is opposed to any stability regulations whatever, contending that stability is not a suitable subject for a marine standard, that it is not practicable to formulate standard rules that can be fairly and justly applied to vessels of all types and designs, and service conditions, that metacentric height alone is not a complete measure of the ship's stability, and that, as stability is primarily a question of the vertical distribution of the cargo, the matter should be left to, and the reponsibility rest with, the master of the ship.

A Measure of Truth

Mr. Arnott admits that there is a measure of truth in all these objections. It is a fact, he says, that stability does not lend itself to standardisation in the same way as structural strength, freeboard, sub-division, &c., and a proper minimum measure stability in terms of metacentric height is dependent on many factors not easy of definition or administration.

In administrating a load-line law, it is easy, he points out, to check the maximum mean draft and see that the conditions of assignment have been complied with. Similarly, as regards bulkhead regulations, it is a matter of routine to see that the watertight bulkhead doors, the means of closing openings in the ships' sides, &c., are in good working condition. It is, however, not practicable, and would not be fair to shipowners, he thinks, to insist on the carrying out of an including experiment supervised by a Government inspector prior to each voyage. And in any event, he says, that would give only the G.M. in the departure condition.

On the other hand, stability is an essential element in the seaworthiness of any vessel. It is, Mr. Arnott declares, too important a matter to be left entirely at the judgment of the captain as it is in the British Load Line Committee's rules and the United States Load Line Committee's (1921) report.

In conclusion, Mr. Arnott points out that the position with regard to stability regulations in U. S. is somewhat different from that in other maritime countries, as American shipbuilders and shipowners have been required, since July, 1924, as a condition of certification, to incline all new passenger vessels under the supersion of the Steamboat Inspection Service. Cases have occurred, he says, where new and reconstructed vessel have been required to install permanent ballast after considerable controversy, and in these circumstances it is obvious, he thinks, that there cannot be active Government jurisdiction over the stability of passengerships without a definite standard.

NOTICE TO MARINERS

TUNGKOW BUOY TO BE MOVED

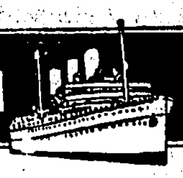
Notice is given that on or about March 20, Tungkow Buoy, Shanghai Harbour, will be moved about 200 feet N. 53½ deg. E. from its present position, its characteristics remaining unchanged.

From the new position of the buoy, Tungkow Creek Powder Magazine will bear N. 59½ deg. E., distant 1,670 feet.

All bearings given are magnetic.

Chart affected: Marine Department Chart No. 8.

CANADIAN PACIFIC



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EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	May 1	May 4	May 7	May 9	May 18
EMPRESS OF ASIA	May 15	May 18	May 21	May 23	June 1
EMPRESS OF FRANCE	June 5	June 8	June 11	June 15	June 22
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	June 26	June 29	July 2	July 4	July 15
EMPRESS OF ASIA	July 10	July 13	July 16	July 18	July 27
EMPRESS OF FRANCE	July 31	Aug. 3	Aug. 6	Aug. 8	Aug. 17
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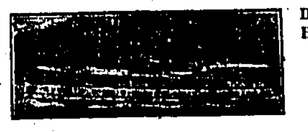

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NALDERA	16,088	13th Apr.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
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FIRE HIGH LIGHTS

(Continued from Page 1.)

Most of the guests in the two hotels did not have insurance for their personal effects.

The High Light

"Out of evil cometh good" Shopkeepers and hotels are reaping benefits from the catastrophe. Clothing has had, to be replaced among the survivors, and necessities from tie pins and sock suspenders to toothbrushes. The local occulists have been busy this morning too, and with the closing of the King Edward and the Savoy Hotels, the other caravanseral have reaped additional business. Some of the fortunates found refuge in the Hong Kong Hotel; others were taken in at the St. Francis which, although "full up" at the time of the fire, found room for people by double-banking the residents. Mr. "Jimmy" Witchell, for instance, is sharing the room of Mr. "Jock" Fletcher, the popular pedagogue and sportsman." Two of the Witchell boys are staying with friends at Kowloon and Miss Audrey Witchell is being put up by Mr. Jesse Wiltshire at Happy Valley. All were asleep on the fifth floor of the Hotel when the fire broke out and were awakened, as stated yesterday, by their father, who conducted them to safety by way of the iron fire escape in the alleyway between the Hotel and Alexandra Building.

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Mr. Henderson, another resident of the Hotel, was, it transpires, a victim of the conflagration and not the lucky individual he was supposed to have been. Yesterday, the rumour was around town that he spent Sunday night with a fellow-visitor to the Colony at another hotel and thus escaped the consequences of the outbreak. As a matter of fact he was asleep in the King Edward when the flames were raging and managed to escape, after retrieving all his loose money, by way of the iron bridge connecting the Hotel with Alexandra Building. Incidentally he assisted some scared "boys" to get away, pushing them and cuffing them in the direction of the bridge.

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How is this for an example of the workings of Fate? One of the victims of the fire, one day last week, reserved a room at another hotel in the Colony. Upon arrival here, however, he got in the hands of the wrong "runners" and his luggage was taken to the King Edward. Here he decided to stay. He was burned to death.

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Another illustration. There is a ship's officer on one of the coastal runs who, being friendly with the manager of the King Edward Hotel, invariably stays there when ashore. His vessel came in on Saturday. That night he slept at the Hotel, and intended doing so the following night. On Saturday evening, however, he met another seafarer with whom he had served his apprenticeship in the Blue Funnel Line. Both had dinner aboard the latter's ship and stayed in the saloon until well after three o'clock in the morning yarning over old times. The former arrived ashore to see flames ascending through the roof of the Hotel

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Here is the story of Mr. Heras, of Manila, who escaped unscathed: He was awakened—he doesn't know the time exactly—by noises but, being accustomed to living and working in the midst of more or less typical Chinese din, paid no attention. A little later he heard police whistles being blown and, like Mr. Witchell, thinking there were thieves abroad, he grasped a poker and went on to the landing. There he saw clouds of smoke ascending the stairway—his room was on the second floor—and noticed that the hall lights were out.

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Mr. Heras then, most naturally, rushed back into his room and closed the door so as to prevent the smoke entering. He made his way to the verandah and shouted for help. Within a second or two a young Chinese and his wife, drawn by his cries, joined him from a verandah near by, and it was then seen that a fire escape had been erected against the wall underneath where the party of three were standing. Mr. Heras told the Chinese to descend and after some hesitation—he was nervous—he did so, assisting his wife down the ladder. Mr. Heras then climbed over the verandah himself and thus reached the ground. It seemed an eternity, he says, before he had negotiated the sixty or seventy steps and reached terra firma.

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Mr. Bestwick, too, had a lucky escape, managing to get to the iron staircase at the side of the Hotel before the flames swept the part of the corridor near which his room was situated. He says that when he got to the ground he observed that the firemen were also getting much of a pressure with the fresh water, but that it took as salt water was obtainable ample supplies were at hand. He is now staying at the Hong Kong Hotel.

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This morning Ice House-street between Des Voeux-road Central and Chater-road was completely barricaded and the work of salvaging and investigation within the building was continued. Egress to the shell of the King Edward Hotel was made in places by knocking down parts of the walls of the adjoining Savoy Hotel. Up to a late hour this morning there was no trace of the body of Mr. Enos Seth.

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A few years ago a howl of joy went up among certain members of the community who were also members of the Victoria Recreation Club. Such howl was prompted by a yarn that spread around the Colony in remarkably quick time to the effect that a Japanese steamer had stove in the side of the Club and that account books and members' books had been washed away. Investigation showed, however, the steamer anchoring safely at the Dockyard and that the V.R.C. had not been touched. To-day there is no cause for similar expressions of thankfulness, however short-lived. The books and chits of the King Edward Hotel are safe. A solicitor is already working on them!

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GANDHI'S ARREST

EARL WINTERTON MAKES ANOTHER STATEMENT

AGITATOR TO BE PROSECUTED

London, Yesterday.

In the House of Commons questions, Earl Winterton, Under-Secretary for India, in correcting his recent statement, said that Gandhi was technically arrested at his residence in order to enable him to give recognisances. He will be prosecuted for the unauthorised lighting of a bonfire in a public place.—Reuter.

The American Consulate-General, Shanghai, is interested in obtaining information concerning the whereabouts of Nelson Dacy, who, when last heard from about six months ago, was in Peking. Any information in this regard will be appreciated.

More than 28 participated in the interport Hunt, in Tientsin recently. The only Peking representative was Mlle. Vare, who took third place. Mrs. J. E. Andrews, of Tientsin, took first place, and Mr. Liddell (on a visit from Shanghai) second.

HONG KONG TIDE.

The tide-table given below has been obtained by aid of the Tide-predicting Machine, which includes 40 components for the better prediction of tides, from the result of the analysis of the tidal observations, taken at the Kaulung tidal observatory, under the direction of Dr. Doberck during the years 1887, 1888 and 1889.

The times and heights are given for Kaulung: but they may be used for the Victoria Naval Yard and Aberdeen, the differences being very small.

The times of high and low water must not be considered to coincide with the times of slack-water and change of current, the two phenomena being quite distinct.

March 8 to 14, 1929.

Date	High Water Standard Times	Ht	Low Water Standard Times	Ht
March				
Fri. 8	m 9 54	4.2	m 2 22	1.2
	7 25a	5.8	1 3a	3.7
Sat. 9	m 8 25	4.3	m 2 54	1.0
	8 9a	7.1	1 50a	3.3
Sun. 10	m 9 42	4.5	m 3 24	0.8
	8 50a	7.3	2 34a	2.9
Mon. 11	m 10 1	4.8	m 3 53	0.6
	9 30a	7.3	3 17a	2.5
Tues. 12	m 10 23	5.2	m 4 21	1.0
	10 12a	7.1	4 0a	2.1
Wed. 13	m 10 46	5.5	m 4 52	1.3
	10 59a	6.7	4 44a	1.8
Thurs 14	m 11 15	5.8	m 5 34	1.8
	11 52a	6.1	5 31a	1.7

11-Year-Old Bride

Here is Selinda Clendenin, 11, of Carbondale, Ill., who, with the consent of her parents, was married to the Rev. Joseph M. Benton, 55, a Pentecostal minister. The latter was later taken in custody on bigamy charge, while the child wife was sent back to her school books.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Ward Smith of New York and Santa Fe, New Mexico, recently arrived in Shanghai from Peking on a honeymoon trip round the world and are staying at the Majestic Hotel, where they will remain until they leave by the "Empress of Asia." Mr. Smith was secretary to the last Republican Governor of New York State, the Hon. Nathan L. Miller, during his administration, and as one of the earliest supporters of Mr. Hoover for the Presidency, organised the first Hoover-for-President Club of Greater New York in 1920 and many other Hoover Clubs throughout the States.

According to the Japanese papers, Mr. Kamimura, acting Japanese Consul-General, has addressed a letter to the Bureau of Foreign Affairs with reference to the seizures of Japanese goods. It states in part:—"I am forced to interpret . . . as acts of open robbery and utter disregard of the goodwill and friendly relations between the two countries."

Mr. L. Tillitse, Secretary to the Danish Legation in Peking, was due last week in Shanghai to assume charge of the Danish Consulate-General for Denmark.

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Among the passengers arriving in Shanghai by the P. & O. S. "Malwa" were Mrs. H. H. Fox, wife of H. M. Commercial Counsellor in Peking, Mr. A. J. Welch, Mr. J. M. Sandford, Mr. W. L. Gerrard and Mr. W. R. Lemarchand.

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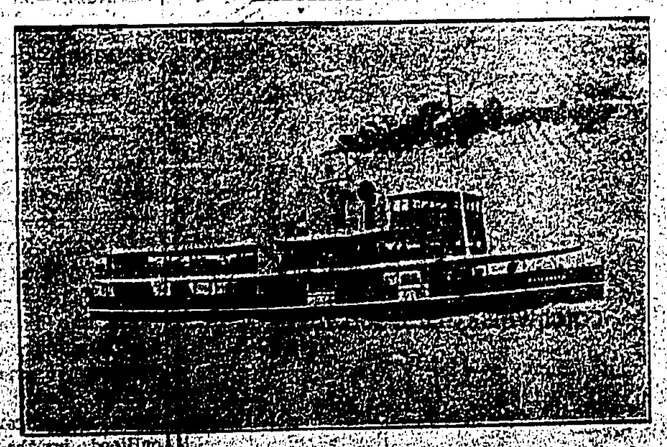

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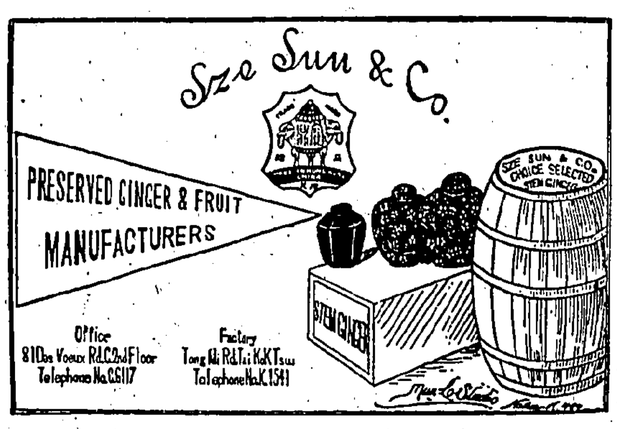

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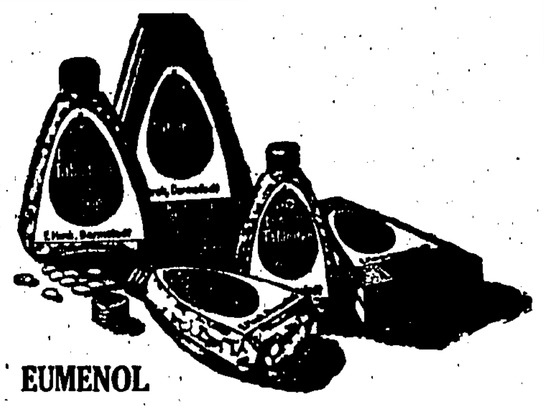

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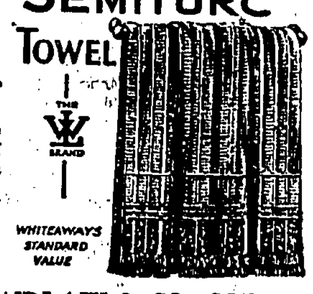

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MARRIAGE

DEWHURST-LAMBE.—On March 6, at Holy Trinity Church, Brompton, Francis James Paget Dewhurst, elder son of Mr. R. Paget Dewhurst, I.C.S. (ret.) and Mrs. Dewhurst, of Ridge Hill House, Dartmouth, to Clara Mary, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Lambe of Shanghai.

DEATHS

DEBOO.—On March 4, at the Paulun Hospital, Shanghai, Jamshed Rustomji Deboo, aged 28.

CARTER.—On March 6, at the Isolation Hospital, Shanghai, Claude Randolph James Follpole Carter, aged 14. Dearly beloved and eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Carter.

CLAUSING.—Funeral services for Mr. and Mrs. John G. Clausing, whose deaths resulted from fire at 146 Route des Soeurs, Shanghai, were held at the Chapel of the International Funeral Directors, 71 Kiaochow-road, Shanghai, on March 7.

SHENGLE.—On March 6, at the Country Hospital, Shanghai, John C. Shengle.

JENNINGS.—On March 6, at the Country Hospital, Shanghai, Peter Omerod, the dearly beloved son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Jennings, aged 7½ years.

NEW ANGLE ON REPARATIONS

All who have observed the throttling influence of reparation payments among European nations during the post-War years will welcome the scheme outlined by the Committee of Experts. The effect of this, if put into effect, will be to ensure that the problem is tackled simply and solely as a business proposition, and the inference is—indeed the intention is—that no more will politics and political feelings be coupled with the settlement of this particular category of indebtedness. There is an indication in the Note just issued by the Experts that the scheme is merely tentative, which is to the good, as it paves the way for any improvement that may suggest itself to the financial representatives of the countries concerned. Is it also satisfactory to observe that the Committee realises it is charged with the achievement of a final settlement of a very vexing question. For ten whole years the matter of reparations has been before officialdom and the public, till of late there has arisen the feeling that it is in truth an international nuisance.

Reparation payments, however, constitute a problem which has to be faced sooner or later, and the Experts' scheme, involving the divorcement of political influence, should set us upon the right road. Briefly, it is suggested that an international bank should be established but that it should in no way interfere with the conduct of the various reparations central banks which have been functioning for some time, and incidentally, functioning satisfactorily, in that they have materially assisted in restoring the gold standard and maintaining financial stabilisation throughout the world. In the words of the wireless message announcing the scheme, the new bank will supplement, rather than duplicate, existing institutions and would assist rather than direct. Its effect, it is claimed, would be to help both the debtor and the creditor countries in that there would be no political strings to be pulled and a gigantic international clearing house would thus be established.

The affairs of Germany, most naturally, enter considerably into the calculations of the Committee of Experts in connection with the new proposal, and it seems that the suggestion to eliminate political control of any kind from the workings of the international bank is mainly directed at that country. Everyone, these days, must admit that the principal "loser" of the Great War has shouldered her burdens in regard to reparations in a manner, by reason of its effectiveness, that has pleasantly surprised the creditor nations: but the bugbear of politics has, from the very termination of hostilities, overshadowed her efforts. Germany's debts, given the formation of the international bank, would henceforth become a matter of strict business, and purely financial considerations would govern all plans of payment. The international bank—such is the proposal—would act, as it were, as guardian to the debtor nations, receiving, at least on paper, all payments made to the central banks and disbursing them among the creditor nations. The scheme, from all angles, appears to possess definite advantages which experience has taught us should be associated with the question of reparations, and in this connection deserves commendation.

Il Duce

If anyone was so misguided as to think that a Dictator's job was something in the nature of a sinecure he will surely have such an idea dispelled by what Signor Mussolini has just said on the subject. "Legislative work, the adaptation of control and the creation of new institutions in Italy has been only part of my work." Then the head of the Fascists—Italy's recognised Dictator—had something much more sensational to communicate. He had, he said, "granted 65,000 audiences," and (most astounding of all) had interested himself in "1,887,112 questions as to his fellow-citizens." Presumably this enormous amount of questions and audience-granting must be regarded as referring to the period (some seven years) since the Fascists performed their famous march upon Rome. But even so, it is quite a remarkable feat and one for which even a well-established monarch might envy him. Evidently Signor Mussolini is no ordinary mean; and he takes every opportunity to let his countrymen and the world generally know that such is the case. The future of Signor Mussolini will be well worth watching.

A controversy has cropped up in the meeting of the British Association for the Advancement of Science. The Rev. Edward Arthur Burroughs, Bishop of Ripon, suggested that there should be a ten-year scientific holiday during which every laboratory should be closed in order that the world could assimilate evolutionary knowlege which, he said, glutted the world. Sir Arthur Keith, President of the Association, said, "Under evolution lies the great truth that nothing can cause to stand still. Even religion cannot stop it. It has always to be adapted. The law of adaptation is universal, and we are in a world of relativity. This ten-year truce is impossible."—"New York Evening Post."

Mr. A. W. da Roza returned to the Colony on the "President Taft" from Manila.

Sir E. Kadoorie and Mr. L. Kadoorie returned to the Colony by the s.s. "President McKinley."

The annual meeting of the Victoria Diocesan Association will be held in the Cathedral Hall this evening.

Mr. J. P. Bourne, manager of the Peninsula Hotel, left for Shanghai to-day by the s.s. "President Taft."

The mothly meeting of the Marine Engineers' Guild of China will be held at 67 Des Vœux-road on Thursday at 6 p.m.

The Eastern Extension Australasia and China Telegraph Company announce that normal working with Shanghai and beyond has been re-established.

At the Marine Court yesterday, the Hon. Comdr. G. F. Hole, R.N. (retired), imposed a fine of $10 on the master of a sampan for making fast to the s.s. "Talamba" whilst the ship was under way.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ended February 23, amounted to 11,893 tons, and the sales during the period to 96,698 tons.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G., Knight of Grace of the Order of St. John, will conduct the annual inspection of St. John Ambulance Brigade on the Murray Parade Ground on Tuesday, March 26, at 6.15 p.m.

On his way from Manila to this Colony the American Commander-in-Chief of the Asiatic Fleet, Admiral Bristol called at Fort Bayard, where he landed from his flagship (which was accompanied by a destroyer) and visited the Governor of Kwong-chau-wan.

A complete change of programme will be presented to-day, at the Queen's Theatre, by Sam Ku West and his Parodise Harmony Boys. Miss Aida Kawakami will also be seen in new items. The picture film is "Tea For Three," starring Lew Cody and Aileen Pringle.

CORRESPONDENCE

SOME FIRE QUERIES

[To the Editor of the "China Mail."]

Sir,—There are several points upon which I would like information concerning the fire which broke out in the King Edward Hotel, early on Monday morning.

(a) Why was there not a fire alarm, which would be effective in arousing all the residents and visitors in the Hotel?
(b) Isn't it usual for the firemen to enter an hotel and make sure that everybody is saved, even at the risk of their own lives, and not merely their duty to put the fire out?
(c) Should not there be a fire-escape long enough to reach the upper storeys of such a building, as is used in U.S.A.?
(d) How was it that the so-called "safety devices" were so unsafe, as is evidenced by the fatality list?
(e) What reason could be given for the wait for adequate pressure of water required to cope with the fire?

In view of the above one almost hesitates to take advantage of the comforts and conveniences of hotels in Hong Kong, but rather prefers to stay at local boarding houses, where escape would be a much simpler problem.

This matter is surely a very serious problem, when one considers the vast number of visitors who frequent hotels here.

Yours etc.,
"SAFETY FIRST."

Hong Kong, March 12.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

[To the Editor of the "China Mail."]

Sir,—A news item from Oxford in a recent issue headed "Christian Science—A woman's death by starvation" has been brought to my attention.

According to the report it appears that a woman had been under treatment in a Christian Science nursing home and was later brought under medical treatment by her son-in-law. Subsequently she died, and the doctor in attendance caused an inquest to be held because he thought her death was due in part to the fact of her previous reliance on Christian Science and refusal to have medical attention, a conclusion which I am sure is not correct. Christian Science, which employs no other power than that of God, could not be the cause of death. On the contrary, it has in countless instances averted death, and hundreds of people who have been condemned to die, by the most advanced medical knowledge, have been restored to health and usefulness through its ministration.

In the event of failure under medical treatment, is the physician charged with causing the deaths he was not successful in preventing? No, in such cases no breath of criticism is raised and yet the great Physician, the only one in whose record there is no failure, was not of that school.

Christian Scientists are humbly endeavouring to follow in the footsteps of the Master, and in the last fifty years they have given innumerable proofs of those "signs" which he said should "follow them that believe," by healing of disease both acute and chronic, both functional and organic. Christian Science has come to be accepted as one of the world's greatest healing agencies, and on the basis of its benefit to mankind, is entitled to the same fairness and the same consideration accorded other methods.

Yours etc.,
W. H. ADLER.

Christian Science Committee on Publication for H.K.
Hong Kong, March 11.

WORLD PEACE THROUGH WORLD FRIENDSHIP

[To the Editor of the "China Mail."]

Sir,—May I be permitted to herewith draw the attention of your readers to the good work done by the International Correspondence League (Headquarters: —84, Boundary-road, London, N.W.8), for the promotion of Universal Peace amongst the Nations and Countries of the World, though mutual better understanding, by inviting and facilitating friendly correspondence. The League has been working successfully for a number of years already, and has now become an integral part of the World Peace Department of the Theosophical Order of Service, but retaining its name as the International Correspondence League. It is now represented in practically every country of the world and the scope of its work is world-wide.

Since the cause of wars is in the final end distrust amongst the nations of the world, who know not their inseparable unity in the One Sacred Life of God, and is based merely on prejudice, misinformation and ignorance of the greatness of cultural achievements and of the high ideals inherent in the members of each and every nation of the world, the work of the International Correspondence League is a sympathetic one and should find the willing support of one and all who have the time and interest for making excursions into the worlds of thought and ideals of other Nations and to study men and women in any part of the world, and so enrich themselves with a deeper understanding and a truer appreciation of the different aspects of Divinity as represented by the different nations of the world.

A hearty invitation is herewith extended to all who desire to contact members of any nation and country in the world, of any sex, age, occupation, and in any desired language, to communicate either with the World Secretary of I.C. League at International Headquarters. International Correspondence League, 84, Boundary-road, London, N.W.8, or with the undersigned. (from whom also special printed application forms may be obtained), giving general information about themselves and about the correspondent desired (permanent address, country, nationality, age, sex, occupation, language to be used, general or special interests, membership in Association, if any, etc.) There are no fees or dues, and the participation is free and open to all.

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Hong Kong, March 13, 1929.

EXCHANGE CASE

CONCLUDING STAGES IN SUPREME COURT

To-day saw one of the concluding stages of the "£10,000 exchange case" before his Honour the Chief Justice, Sir Henry Gollan, C.B.E., at the Supreme Court, Mr. F. C. Jenkin (instructed by Messrs. Deacon) addressing the Court for plaintiffs. The Banque Industrielle de Chine are suing Tuen Kee Hong, merchants, No. 2A, Cleverley-street, for $11,554.78 damages plus 8 per cent. interest for alleged breach of a contract for the purchase by defendants of £10,000 sterling at exchange 2s./5 1/16d. telegraphic transfer on London not later than July 31, 1921.

Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C. (instructed by Messrs. Russ & Co.) is for the defence.

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We are officially informed that the General Managers and Consulting Committee of the Hong Kong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., will recommend at the forthcoming meeting of shareholders to be held on March 26, the payment out of the profits for the year 1927 of a dividend of $43 per share, absorbing $344,000.00; to pass £25,000 to credit of Sterling Reserve, $100,000 to credit of Silver Reserve, and £4,758 18s. 10d. to credit of Reinsurance Fund; carrying forward $675,329.19 in respect of the year 1928.

TWO BITES

WOLF HOUND LIKELY TO BE DESTROYED

A wolf hound belonging to Mrs. E. M. Ellis, of No. 455, The Peak, was yesterday afternoon removed to Kennedy-town for observation.

About a fortnight ago the animal bit Dr. Aubrey, and yesterday it attacked Mr. J. Jack, of Messrs. William Jack and Co., Limited.

It is understood that Mrs. Ellis has asked for the dog to be destroyed.

A paragraph in this morning's Police reports announced the death at the asylum at 2.45 this morning of Mr. F. J. Connelly, described as master of the Royal Fleet Auxiliary "Francol." The man took ill suddenly yesterday morning in the side room off the chargeroom at the Central Police Station, and was immediately removed to the Government Civil Hospital, whence he was later transferred to the asylum.

Sam Ku West, the noted Hawaiian harpist, and his Paradise Harmony Boys, with Aida Kawakima, talented Japanese dancer, will present an entire change of programme to-day and to-morrow at the Queen's Theatre in conjunction with the feature film "Tea For Three."

The Colonial Secretary (Hon. Mr. W. T. Southorn, C.M.G.) and Mrs. Southorn paid a short visit to Canton over the week-end.

BOY SCOUTS

PRINCE OF WALES' BANNER COMPETITION

FIRST RALLY

On Saturday last, the Boy Scouts Association held the first Prince of Wales banner competition rally for the current year in the grounds of St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, by kind permission of the Rev. W. W. Rogers and the Church authorities.

Scout Troops from the Island assembled at the Star Ferry at 2.30 p.m., crossing by special ferry, while mainland troops had to report at St. Andrew's by 3 p.m. There was an excellent muster, 16 troops attending.

As soon as the Scouts had fallen in for inspection, the Commissioner presented, on behalf of the local Branch of the R.S.P.C.A. the Challenge Cup for the winning essay sent in by any troop on inquiries into ways and means of furthering the objects of that Society locally. Scout D. Hunt received the Cup on behalf of the 5th H.K. Troop, his being the successful essay.

The 1st H.K. Sea Scouts were then presented with the Prince of Wales Banner won last year, the second year in succession, the 4th H.K. (Murray) Troop being the runners-up.

Nature of the Tests

These little ceremonies completed, the rally competition commenced, the various tests being arranged and conducted by Mr. C. H. Blason, Asst. Commissioner, District Scoutmaster A. White, and Mr. A. S. Mitchell, Hon. Secretary of the Association. The tests covered sketch-map drawing, judging distances, area, weights, etc., message carrying, first aid, and observation and deduction.

Tea was provided at an appropriate interval. Scouts not taking part in the actual contests were occupied with organised games in the grounds of the Central British School, kindly lent by the Headmaster, Mr. G. F. Nightingale.

At the conclusion, the Commissioner thanked the Rev. W. W. Rogers and the Church authorities and also those of the C.B.S. for placing the grounds at the disposal of the Scouts, and also reminded the boys that this was the last occasion on which Mr. Blason would be present at a Banner Competition Rally. From the very first he had been keenly interested and always provided very amusing and interesting competitions in observation and tracking. He would be badly missed.

Cheers were then given for the Church authorities and for Mr. Blason, who briefly responded, reminding the Scouts of the importance of the daily "good turn."

Owing to much of the work being written, it was not possible to announce the result of the competition, at the end of the rally.

POLICE RESERVE

ORDERS FOR THE CURRENT WEEK

The following orders have been issued by Mr. T. H. King, Acting Captain Superintendent of Police:—

Chinese Company

Strength. — Constable R64, Kiang Luen-cheong, has been permitted to resign, having completed one full year's service, with effect from March 7.

"First Aid to the Injured."—Class for instruction in First Aid will be held at the Company's Headquarters to-morrow, at 5.30 p.m. sharp.

Signalling. — The Signalling Squad will attend at the Company's Headquarters for practice in Morse and Semaphore under Crown Sergeant R15, Ow Yeung Kin-hang, to-morrow, at 6.30 p.m. sharp.

Annual Examination in Part 2. —The examination in Part 2 of Training Course will continue at the Company's Headquarters on Thursday, at 5.30 p.m. sharp, under Chief Inspector H. J. Paterson, Principal of the Police Training School.

Indian Company

Parade.—All ranks of the Indian Company will parade at Police Headquarters on Tuesday next for drill under Sergeant Condon. Fall in at 5.30 p.m. sharp. Dress—Blue uniform, belt and cap without cover. No member may be absent from this parade without leave from the Company Commander.

Flying Squad

Leave.—Constable R327, Poon Wing-took has been granted two months' sick leave commencing February 8.

The weekly instructional patrol of the Kowloon Section will take place to-day. Fall in at the Tsimtsa-tsui Fire Brigade Station at 5.30 p.m. sharp. Dress—Winter uniform.

The weekly instructional patrol of the Hong Kong Section will take place on Thursday. Fall in at the Central Police Station at 5.15 p.m. sharp. Dress—Winter uniform.

Sharpshooters' Company

Strength.—The following have been taken on the strength of the Sharpshooters' Company:—

Constable R437, F. A. Broadbridge, as from March 7.

Constable R438, N. Stradmoor, as from March 6.

Constable R439, A. Cross, as from March 6.

Constable R440, H. H. Lasham, as from March 7.

Revolver Practice.—Members of the Sharpshooters' Company are reminded of the revolver practice to be held on Sunday at 10 a.m., for details, see last week's orders.

"Defence" Class.—This will be held as usual on Monday, at Police Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. under Sergeant R. J. Hunt. Dress—Mufti.

MR. D. HARVEY

FUNERAL AT HAPPY VALLEY

NUMEROUS FLORAL TRIBUTES

The funeral of Mr. David Harvey, whose death was reported yesterday, took place at the Protestant Cemetery, Happy Valley, last evening.

Mr. David Harvey, jun., was the chief mourner, and there was a large attendance of sympathisers.

From the cemetery gate the coffin was borne to the graveside on the shoulders of Messrs. R. Duncan, G. Duncan, W. Macfarlane, P. T. Farrell, P. W. Ramsay and T. Magill.

The service at the graveside was conducted by the Rev. J. Horace Johnston, Pastor of the Union Church, Kowloon.

Those present to pay their last tributes included the Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes, Mr. C. Gordon Mackie, the District Grand Master (Dr. G. D. R. Black), the District Grand Master Depute representing the Grand Lodge of Scotland (Mr. E. J. Edwards), and Grand Lodge officers; Mr. R. M. Dyer, Mr. T. G. Weall, Mr. E. Cock, Mr. B. Wylie, Mr. W. S. Bailey, Mr. R. Hall, Mr. H. Overy, Mr. C. Hatt, Capt. B. Branch, Major White, Lieut. C. H. Atkins, Mr. T. Ferguson, Mr. J. W. C. Bonnar, Mr. G. R. Edwards, Mr. P. T. Farrell, Mr. A. W. Eastman, Mr. E. Hale, Mr. A. W. Heron, Mr. A. W. E. Davidson, Mr. A. R. Whibley, Mr. W. Russell, Inspector R. H. E. Marks, Mr. J. McLeod, Mr. A. D. Humphreys, Mr. A. M. Simpson, Mr. G. F. F. Thompson, Mr. D. Purves, Mr. V. C. Labrum, Mr. E. Abraham, Mr. D. Muir, Chief Preventive Officer S. J. Clarke, Mr. W. J. Rattey, Mr. J. Bradford, Mr. L. J. Blackburn, Mr. J. Johnston, Mr. L. Guy, Mr. E. W. L. Hoghin, and Mr. G. J. Chambers. Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Nish and family, Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Warren, Mr. and Mrs. W. Macfarlane, Mr. and Mrs. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. J. Kempton, Mr. and Mrs. Fraser and Mrs. C. Bond.

The Chinese staffs of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club and the United Oriental Asbestos Agency, Ltd., were also represented.

Floral Tributes

The numerous floral tributes included tokens from the following:—Jeannie and David (wife and son); Mother and Father; Willie and Betsy; Jeannie and Jim; John and Gerald; Walter and family; Lizzie; Tina, Nellie and Alex; Bella and Jim; Billy and Lizzie; Aunt Maggie and Uncle Jim; Mr. and Mrs. C. Bond and family; Mr. C. Bond, jnr., Mr. and Mrs. G. Duncan and family; Mr. and Mrs. Blackie and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. Hyde and family; Mr. and Mrs. N. Watson; Mr. and Mrs. D. Smith; Mrs. B. Cuthbert; Mr. J. Barnett, Mr. C. Hatt, Mr. W. Cuff, Mr. J. McNab and Mr. B. Rasmussen.

Other wreaths were sent by the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southorn, C.M.G., and Mrs. Southorn; the Hong Kong Lawn Bowls Association; Kowloon Bowling Green Club; President, committee and members, Kowloon Cricket Club; members, Kowloon Dock Recreation Club; Kowloon Football Club; the Right Worshipful District Grand Master and Brethren, District Grand Lodge, Scottish Freemasonry in Hong Kong and South China; President, committee and members, St. Andrew's Society; Institute of Engineers and Shipbuilders of Hong Kong; Government Slipway; China Light and Power Co., Ltd., General Electric Company of China, Ltd., Directors, Dodwell and Co., Ltd.; Union Waterboat Co., Ltd.; John Manners and Co., Ltd.; Bradley and Co., Ltd.; Yung Fat and Co., and Gande, Price and Co., Ltd. There were also several wreaths from the foreign and Chinese staffs of the United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Ltd.

Woman witness, at Surrey Quarter Sessions: We were weighing ourselves on the weighing machine to pass away the time, and I was winning.

ANOTHER ENEMY

SUN TIEN-YIN TO FIGHT NATIONALISTS

50 VILLAGES SACKED

Chefoo, To-day.

It is reported from Lungkow that Sun Tien-yin, who robbed the Empress Dowager's tomb in the great "Northern" retreat, and who is a henchman of Chu Yu-pu (who, like Chang Tsung-chang, is a former "Northern" General), has arrived at Tengchowfu and is conferring with Chang Tsung-chang concerning the transfer of his (Sun Tien-yin's) division of 10,000 men from Changkiu, north-east of Tsinanfu, to link up with Chang Tsung-chang in the operations in Shantung promontory against the Nationalist commander, General Liu Chen-nien.

It is also reported that Liu Chen-nien has sacked 50 villages in the neighbourhood of Lintze, near Weihsien.—Reuter.

H.M.S. "Magnolia," a sloop, arrived at Chefoo yesterday from Wei-hai-wei and H.M.S. "Cornflower," another sloop, arrived at Wei-hai-wei from Chefoo.

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Teheran, Yesterday.

The 7th Year Customs' Agreement between Russia and Persia has been signed.—Reuter.

When it became known that General Higgins would arrive at International Headquarters at three o'clock on February 19, members of the staff left their desks and thronged into the street where they were joined by a large crowd of the public. Additional police were required to regulate the traffic, and before reaching the office General Higgins was required to make a number of brief speeches, in the course of one of which he said:—"Let us all be as good as we can; let us all work as hard as we can. Let us go on fighting. Keep the flag as high as we can. Do good to all men. Love God. Let mercy and truth triumph over wrong and falsehood. Do nothing of which you will be ashamed when you stand in the presence of God. Pray for me."

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Spence, of the Eastern Extension Telegraph Co., arrived at Chefoo last week on the s.s. "Tungchow." Mr. Spence is relieving Mr. H. Leggatt.

SHADOWS BEFORE.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL"

To-day — Queen's Theatre; "Tea for Three," also Sam Ku West and his Victor Harmony Trio.

To-day — World Theatre; "Stranded In Paris."

To-day—Star Theatre; "Firemen, Save My Child."

To-day — Majestic Theatre; "A Certain Young Man."

Lammerts' Auctions

To-day—At Sales Room, valuable collection of Postage stamps, 5.15 p.m.

Mar. 13, 14, 15, 16—At 3, Bowen-road, a part of Mrs. C. Montague Ede's valuable household furniture, from 11 a.m.

March 18—At 26, The Peak, Bishop Lodge, valuable household furniture, 2.30 p.m.

Sports

March 16—St. Peter's Church Y.M.C.'s Marathon Race, 3 p.m.

March 24—Fanling Hunt: Grand National Meeting.

Meetings

March 13—Fortieth annual meeting of Green Island Cement Co., Ltd., St. George's Bldg., Chater-rd., noon.

March 14—Marine Engineers' Guild (H.K. branch) meeting at 67, Des Voeux-rd., Ctl., 6 p.m.

Mar. 14 — Forty-fifth general meeting of shareholders of the Hong Kong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd., St. George's Bldg., Chater-rd., 11.30 a.m.

Mar. 16.—Ordinary yearly meeting of Shareholders of the Hong Kong & Shanghai Hotels, Ltd., Exchange Bldg., Des Vœux-rd. Central, noon.

Mar. 22—Fortieth annual meeting of shareholders of The Hong Kong Electric Co., Ltd., P. & O. Building, 11 a.m.

March 24—Fanling Hunt Steeplechases.

March 26—Sixtieth general meeting of shareholders of the Hong Kong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., Messrs. Jardine, Matheson's Offices, 11 a.m.

Miscellaneous

To-day—Lecture at University (Room K. main bldg.) on "A Visit to East Africa" by Prof. W. Brown, 8.30 p.m.

March 13—Distribution of prizes at St. Stephen's College, 5 p.m.

Mar. 13—Lecture on "Scientific Simplicity Exposure," at University Union, by Mr. Khoo Keng-wah, 7.30 p.m.

March 26—Annual inspection of St. John Ambulance Brigade, Murray Parade ground, 5.15 p.m.

The "Japan Chronicle" has every reason to believe that when the "President McKinley" arrived at San Francisco, six of the ship's crew were examined further in connection with the murder of Mr. Allan McDaniel, the assistant purser. Mr. McDaniel, it will be remembered, was found lying in bed at Manila with a bullet through the back. He was conscious, but paralysed. When the "President McKinley" sailed from Manila, Mr. McDaniel was in hospital, and still conscious. He had not, however, made any statement in connection with the shooting. He died a few days later.

The "Chronicle" learned at the time that Mr. McDaniel was probably shot in the morning, before the return of the purser, Mr. Leo Brayman. It was Mr. Brayman who made the discovery the following morning. The "Chronicle" now learns that the Manila authorities cabled to San Francisco on the ship's arrival there, and requested the examination in particular of six of the ship's staff, including a ranking officer, and five American musicians. The officer was included because of the disappearance of a 38 calibre pistol on board the vessel, he being the owner of the weapon. The five musicians were to be questioned concerning an alleged grudge one of them had against the late Mr. McDaniel.

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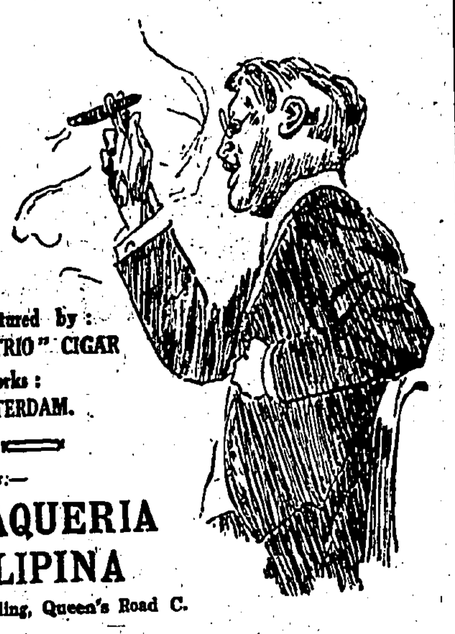

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ST. MARY'S SCHOOL

A GRATIFYING ANNUAL REPORT

PRIZE DAY

Yesterday was Prize Day at St. Mary's School, Kowloon, the Very Rev. Father G. M. Spada, presiding.

The head mistress's report stated:—

This year the school met 397 times. The maximum enrolment was of 324 in March, 1928, against 303 in 1927. The average attendance during the year was 306, against 293 in 1927.

The Lugard Scholarship for the year 1929-30 was awarded to Miss Pureza d'Eca. The Dr. Gomes Scholarships for regular attendances were awarded to: Misses Alda Britto, Rosario Fernandes, Aminha Abdullah, Carmen Pereira, Elsa Britto, Mira Passos, Constance Gomes, Elsa Silva, Edith Lee, Fatumesha Yuman Khan, Maria Wong, Irene Silva, Mabel Lim, Mabel Ng, Mercia Xavier and Mildie Osmund.

The school was inspected by Mr. A. Sutherland, and his report on the school year's work reads as follows:—Staff, adequate according to Grant Code requirements. Discipline, excellent. I spent two mornings and one afternoon in the school, during which time I saw work in each class. I heard very good singing and recitation in the kindergarten. From Class 8 onwards I heard reading and recitation, saw arithmetic worked on the blackboard, and asked questions on all their subjects. The answers were prompt and intelligent, and showed the result of careful teaching. Pronunciation was good. From Class 6 onwards in addition, I set dictation tests which were all well done. All written work, drawing and painting were excellent. Mrs. Sutherland inspected the sewing, and was very pleased with the utility and excellence of the work. The standard of efficiency of the school remains high.

Examinations

Twelve pupils sat for the Matriculation and Senior Local examination, and 12 passed the Senior, two of them obtaining honours. There were two distinctions, one for English and one for needlework.

Eleven pupils sat for the Junior Local examination, and 10 passed, two obtaining distinction in English and 9 in Biblical knowledge.

Dr. Stancliff and Dr. Minett carried out the medical inspection through the whole school, reporting the sanitary condition very satisfactory.

Members of the St. Vincent Society also honoured the School with their kind visit.

The pupils of St. Mary's took part as usual in St. Joseph's athletic sports at the Race Course, and also at some local organised games such as hockey and football.

They were taken to the Queen's Theatre, and took great interest in the wonderful display of jungle life through the "Chang."

The Prize List

Senior Local Certificates.—Carmen da Silva (Honours, distinction in Biblical knowledge), and Cynthia Alves (Honours), 1st Prize; Bella Pestonji (Distinction in English) 2nd Prize; Wilhelmina Wong, Linda Gosano, Carmen Ribeiro, Ines Remedios, Betty Remedios, Sarah Remedios, Elvira Rosario, Theresa Sanchez and Alda Britto.

Junior Local Certificates.—Edriz d'Aquino (Distinction in Biblical knowledge) and Helena Silva (Distinction in Biblical knowledge), 1st Prize; Mina Danenberg (Distinction in English and Biblical knowledg), and Aida Noronha (Distinction in English and Biblical knowledge), 2nd Prize; Joaquina Fernandes (Distinction in Biblical knowledge), Rosario Fernandes (Distinction in Biblical knowledge), and Etilvira Ribeiro (Distinction in Biblical knowledge), 3rd Prize; Grace Cheung (Distinction in Biblical knowledge), and Florrie Wong (Distinction in Biblical knowledge), 4th Prize; Cissy Silva.

Class 3.—Pureza d'Eca, 1st prize; Joyce Kor, 2nd prize; Aminha Abdullah, 3rd prize; Lily Tsang, Certificate of Merit.

Class 4.—Maria Mattos, 1st prize; Gloria d'Almada, 2nd prize; Gwendoline Lam, 3rd prize; Olga Ribeiro, Certificate of Merit.

Class 5.—Palmyra Yvanovich, 1st prize; Violet Wong and Betty Rodrigues, 2nd prize; Margaret Ng and Beatriz Pestonji, 3rd prize; Edith Lee, Certificate of Merit.

Class 6.—Maria Wong, 1st prize; Georgina Fernandes, 2nd prize; Lucy Kwong and Avelina Gosano, 3rd prize; Betty Passos and Rosie Kay, Certificate of Merit.

Class 7.—Filomena Gonsalves, 1st prize; Annie Ng and Lily Chiu, 2nd prize; Ruby Kwong, 3rd prize; Marie Britto and Julie Agon, Certificate of Merit.

Class 8.—Norma Gonsalves and Nydia Osmund, 1st prize; Mildie Osmund, 2nd prize; Lucy Ho, 3rd prize; Mina Kor, Certificate of Merit.

Class 9.—Marie Marques, 1st prize; Eleonor Gonsalves, 2nd prize; Hushma Yum n Khan, 3rd prize; Izabel Manuel.

Class 10—1.—Margaret Botelho, Olsay Passos, Aida Rosario, Delfina Jose.

Class 10—2.—Angelina Silva, Betty Silva, Carry Alves, Filomena Rosario, Irene Tavares, Teresa Noronha.

Prizes for the Portuguese classes.—Preliminary Class, Avelina Gosano, Beatriz dos Passos, Helena do Rosario.

1st Standard, Filomena Gonsalves.

2nd Standard, Guilhermina d'Aquino.

3rd Standard, Maria Pureza d'Eca.

Junior Examination (University), Edriz d'Aquino.

Scholarships

Miss Pureza d'Eca is the winner of the Lugard Scholarship for the year 1928-29.

Dr. Gomes Scholarships.—The winners of the scholarships for attendance are.—Class 1, Alda Britto; Class 2, Rosario Gernandes; Class 3, Aminha Abdullah, Carmen Pereira, Elsa Britto; Class 4, Mira Passos, Constance Gomes, Elsa Silva; Class 5, Edith Lee, Fatumesha Yuman Khan; Class 6, Maria Wong and Irene Silva; Class 7, Mabel Lim, Mabel Ng and Mercia Xavier; Class 8, Mildie Osmund.

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Credits, 4 months' sight	2/– ⅛
Documentary 4 months' sight	2/– ⅞
On Paris—	
On demand	1232½
Credits, 4 months' sight	1307½
On Berlin—	
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On New York—	
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Credits, 60 days' sight	49¼
On Bombay—	
Wire	132
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On Singapore—	
On demand	85¼
On Manila—	
On demand	96¼
On Shanghai—	
On demand	78
30 day's sight (private paper)	——
On Yokohama—	
On demand	107½
Gold Leaf, 100 fine (per tael)	——
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate)	9.75
Silver (per oz.)	25 15/16
Bar Silver in Hong Kong	2¼% Prem.
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Chinese Copper Cents	6% Prem.
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LONDON EXCHANGES.

	London, Yesterday.
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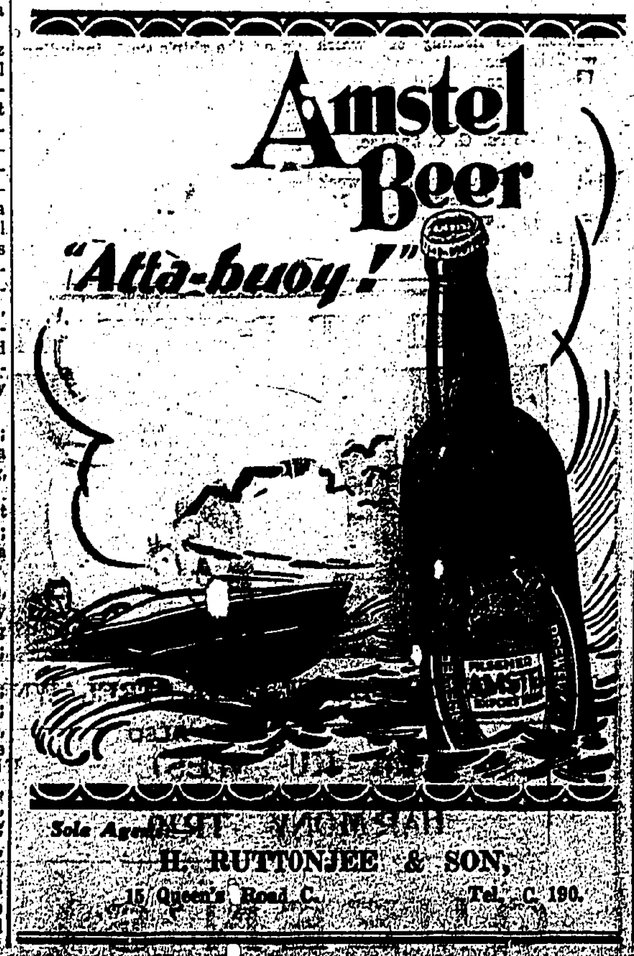
New York	4.85⅛
Brussels	34.95
Geneva	25.22
Amsterdam	12.11½
Milan	92.69½
Berlin	20.44½
Stockholm	18.16
Copenhagen	18.20
Oslo	18.19
Vienna	34.52½
Prague	163¾
Helsingfors	192¾
Madrid	32.92½
Lisbon	108¼
Athens	875
Bucharest	817½
Rio	5⅞
Buenos Aires	47 11/32
Bombay	1/5 31/32
Shanghai	2/6 ½
Hong Kong	1/11 ¾
Yokohama	1/10 1/32
Silver Spot & Forward	25 15/16

—British Wireless Service.

The Ministry of Communications is contemplating the establishment of a telegraph school in Shanghai for the training of employees of the Telegraph Administration. In this connection, the Chiaotungpu proposes to install 5,000 automatic telephones in Nanking, 9,000 in Tientsin and several thousand in Canton, Foochow, Amoy, Hankow and Shanghai.

According to the Chinese press, the Hupeh Reconstruction Bureau, on March 2, planted more than 3,000,000 trees.



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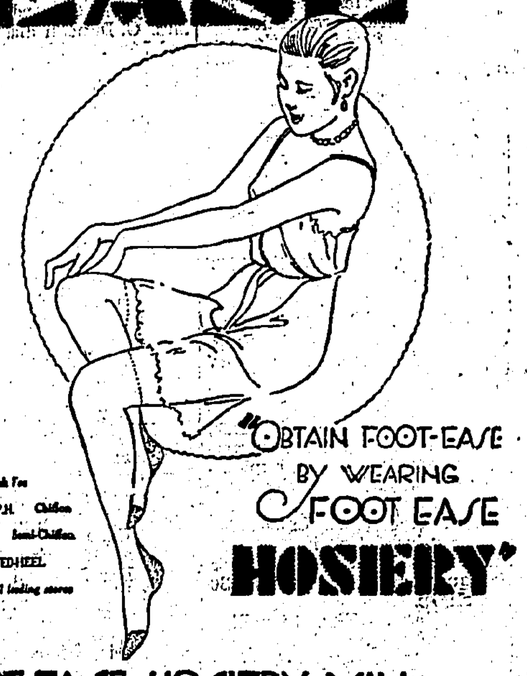

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Sport Columns

LAWN TENNIS

RESULTS OF TOURNAMENT TIES

The following ties in the lawn tennis tournament at the Hong Kong Cricket Club were decided yesterday:—

Open Singles.—Horace Lo beat Y. Sajiki 6-2, 6-2, 6-1.

Open Doubles.—S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn beat J. A. Cassumbhoy and I. M. A. Razack 3-6, 6-2, 6-2, 6-4.

Club Championship.—S. E. Green beat D. S. Green 6-0, 6-1.

Handicap Singles "A".—S. E. Green received a walk over from T. H. King.

Handicap Singles "B".—V. W. L. Stanion (owe 1/6) beat T. J. Price (owe 2/6) 9-11, 6-3, 6-3; E. R. Price (rec. 4/6) beat T. L. Christie (rec. 2/6) 6-2, 6-1.

Handicap Doubles.—A. Piercy and W. D. Fiddes Wilson (scr.) beat T. W. Hall and C. H. Bradley (rec. 4/6) 4-6, 6-2, 6-3.

To-day's Games

Open Singles.—J. S. McEachran v. E. F. Fincher; L. Goldman v. J. A. Cassumbhoy.

Open Doubles.—Major Lucas and Dr. Tottenham v. Lai Kwong-tsun and Iu Tak-cheuk; M. K. and M. W. Lo v. S. E. and D. S. Green; Ho Ka-lau and Ng Sze-kwong v. V. Yvanovich and C. Barretto.

Handicap Singles "B".—C. Stigter (owe 2/6) v. M. D. Scott (owe 2/6).

Handicap Doubles.—J. H. Ashworth and H. A. Mills (rec. 5/6) v. A. H. Crook and O. C. Womack (scr.).

INTER-CLUB MATCH

German Tennis Club Beats A Kowloon C.C. Team

In a lawn tennis match at the German Tennis Club, the home team beat the Kowloon C.C. by five games. Scores:—

G. Boediker and O. Neidt (German Tennis Club):—

beat L. Jack and A. E. Guest	7- 4
beat W. W. Hirst and F. E. Lawrence	8- 3
lost to A. W. Brown and E. R. Price	5- 6
	20-13

H. Ammann and B. Soltau (German Tennis Club):—

lost to L. Jack and A. E. Guest	2- 9
beat W. W. Hirst and F. E. Lawrence	8- 3
lost to A. W. Brown and E. R. Price	5- 6
	15-18

G. von Ehren and H. Boese (German Tennis Club):—

lost to L. Jack and A. E. Guest	3- 8
beat W. W. Hirst and F. E. Lawrence	9- 2
lost to A. W. Brown and E. R. Price	5- 6
	17-16

Totals: German Tennis Club, 52 games; Kowloon C.C., 47 games.

MARATHON RACE

DETAILS ANNOUNCED BY ST. PETER'S Y.M. CLUB

The second annual Hong Kong Marathon race organised by St. Peter's Young Men's Club is to take place on Saturday. The race is timed to commence at 3 p.m. sharp, the starting point being on Lyttleton-road near the University. It is hoped to have a large number of entries, which should be sent to the Joint Hon. Secretaries at the Club House, 86 Bonham-road. The general public are invited to witness the finish of the race at King's College and afterward to attend the distribution of prizes at the Club House.

The Club thanks those who have presented trophies for the race, which are on view in the window of the Blue Bird Co., including the following:

Nestle and Anglo-Swiss Condensed Milk Co.—The Nestanglo Team Shield, the Nestanglo Challenge Cup and the First Prize; British-American Tobacco Company (China), Ltd., Second Prize, (Capstan Cup); Mr. Andrew Cheung, third prize; Mrs. Griggs and Miss Mow Fung, fourth prize; Mr. Tsang Fook, five team medals; Mr. G. W. R. Griggs, Club members second prize.

Fighter-Flier

Here is a splendid close-up of William L. Stribling, Georgia heavyweight, who was beaten by Sharkey.

GOLF

CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE LADIES' SECTION

The final of the Championship of the Ladies' Section was played over 18 holes on the old course at Fanling on Sunday and resulted in a win for Mrs. T. S. Whyte-Smith by 4 and 2, the runner up being Mrs. Sommerfelt.

HOME FOOTBALL

TWO MATCHES IN ENGLISH LEAGUES

WEST BROMWICH LOSE

London, Yesterday.

Playing in the Second Division of the English League to-day, West Bromwich Albion, at home, were defeated by Bradford City by two goals to one.

In the Third Division (Southern Section) Luton, at home, drew with Plymouth, the score being 2-2.—Reuter.

Division II.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Middlesbro'	33	17	9	7	76	49	43
Grimsby	31	17	5	9	66	50	39
Chelsea	31	15	9	7	53	39	39
Notts C.	32	15	8	9	58	44	38
S'thampton	32	11	14	7	55	43	36
Millwall	30	14	7	9	60	53	35
Bradford	31	16	3	12	66	53	35
Stoke	32	12	10	10	51	37	34
Preston N.E.	32	14	5	13	65	60	33
Blackpool	32	13	6	13	65	59	32
Notts For.	32	11	10	11	54	56	32
Hull	31	10	9	12	49	55	29
Wolves	31	11	7	13	64	61	29
Tottenham	31	13	3	15	54	65	29
Oldham	32	12	4	16	42	62	28
West Brom.	30	11	6	13	54	66	28
Swansea	32	10	8	14	53	60	28
Bristol C.	32	10	6	16	48	62	26
Reading	31	9	8	14	47	68	26
Clapton	32	9	8	15	36	55	26
Port Vale	32	12	1	19	60	66	25
Barnsley	32	10	4	18	47	60	24

Division III. (South)

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Northant	31	16	7	8	79	41	39
Luton	31	15	9	7	62	51	39
Charlton	29	16	6	7	65	45	38
Crystal P.	29	16	6	7	57	46	38
Queen's P.R.	31	14	10	7	61	50	38
Plymouth	30	13	10	7	58	42	36
Fulham	31	15	6	10	77	55	36
Watford	29	15	4	10	54	52	34
Coventry	32	12	9	11	49	39	33
Bournem'th	29	13	7	9	62	57	33
Southend	31	11	10	10	62	53	32
Swindon	29	11	9	9	54	52	31
Walsall	31	10	11	10	58	62	31
Brentford	31	11	7	13	43	46	29
Brighton	30	10	5	15	42	56	25
Torquay	30	11	2	17	52	64	24
Bristol R.	30	9	5	16	43	58	23
Norwich	30	10	3	17	48	52	23
Newport	29	8	6	15	44	59	22
Gillingham	31	7	7	17	35	61	21
Merthyr	31	7	6	18	41	82	20
Exeter	29	6	7	16	43	66	19

YACHTING

CHAMPIONSHIP RACES FOR LADIES

The Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club's seventh ladies' championship race was sailed yesterday, the course being.—Lyemun Beacon (P), Cust Rock (P), a distance of 5.6 miles. The results were:

Handicap Class. Started 3 p.m.

Yacht	Finishing Time	Corrected Time	Pts for Season
Diana	4.12.28½	4.11.04½	26
Colleen		D.N.S.	40
Rolla		D.N.S.	9
Falcon		D.N.S.	0
La Linda	4.06.40	4.04.43	32
Dorothea		D.N.S.	24

I. Y. and G. Started 3.05 p.m.

Daphne		D.N.S.	29
Ailsa		D.N.S.	35
Halcyon		D.N.S.	0
Gael		D.N.S.	0
Pierrette		D.N.S.	33
Thecla		D.N.S.	0
Viking		D.N.S.	0
Joan (6)	4.26.13	4.22.01	92
Why Wonder (5)	4.23.44	4.21.52	77
Wings (4)	4.23.41	4.21.49	98
Bluenose (3)	4.22.39	4.20.47	63
Boojum (2)	4.22.20	4.20.28	109
Speedwell (1)	4.22.14	4.20.22	97
Adanac		D.N.S.	0
Zephyr		D.N.S.	9
Lola (7)	4.26.28	4.32.04	54

RACING MOTORIST

MAJOR SEGRAVE LOWERS RECORD

TERRIFIC SPEED

Dayton Beach (Florida), Yesterday.

The British racing motorist, Major H. O. D. Segrave, attained a speed of 231.51125 miles an hour. The previous record was 207.5 held by the American, White, who is now trying to beat Major Segrave.

The car behaved wonderfully. Major Segrave stated that the throttle was not fully opened. The only mishap was that the tap came off the cooling system, resulting in his being sprayed with water.

Major Segrave's average for the mile in both directions was 231.36246.

[Major Segrave was the first man to travel faster than 200 miles per hour. He made the record at Daytona Beach, on March 29, 1927, doing 203.79 miles per hour. A year later, April, 1928, Ray Keech set the record up to yesterday over the same course in his American White Triplexat 206.95.]

Big "Strike" Man

Leading a team of British spare and strike makers, Albert Mail is hopeful that his team will lift the cup, emblematic of the world's championship, when they compete in the International Bowling tournament to be held in California.

VILLAGE TRAGEDY

ALLEGED ASSAILANTS IN COLONY

EXTRADITION APPLICATION

Evidence was yesterday taken by Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the Central Magistracy, in the case in which the Canton authorities is aplying for the extradition of two Chinese named Lo Ping-sing, and Lo Tsz-wang, for the alleged murder of a man named Lo Ying-wing, a Deputy Chief of the Volunteers of Lo Ping village, San-wui district, Kwangtung, on June 28, 1928.

Lo Chung-yu, who claimed to have been an eye-witness of the alleged crime stated that he was sitting in front of Lo Ying-wing's grocery shop on the day in question when he saw the two alleged fugitives enter the place. They were both armed. Witness heard Lo Ping-wing urge Lo Tze-wang to shoot shopkeepers. Lo Tsz-wang fired a shot which struck Lo Ying-wing in the chest.

After he had been hit Lo Ying-wing attempted to run. He had gone only a few paces, however, when he was shot down from behind. The second bullet entered the back of his head and he collapsed. Both fugitives then ran away. Later in the day witness took part at the general council of village elders who gathered to deliberate over the murder.

His Worship gave an adjournment after Lo Kin-yin, who acted as secretary of the meeting, deposed that the result of the deliberation was that a reward of money was offered for the arrest of the two fugitives.

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"TRELAWNEY OF THE WELLS"

"Trelawney of the Wells," which won world wide fame as a stage play, has been transferred to the screen under the title of "The Actress," and will be shown from Thursday to Saturday at the Queen's Theatre, according to a special advertisement in this issue.

The stage play earned its fame, not so much on the intricacies of the plot as in the vivid and ever delightful characterisations of the principal actors. In the screen adaptation this trait of the play has been carefully followed out. Beautiful Norma Shearer has the leading role and is supported by a large cast of players among whom are Roy D'Arcy, Ralph Forbes, Gwen Lee, Lee Moran and Owen Moore, all well-known players with many screen successes to their credit.

The highly successful Hawaiian troupe of artists, Sam Ku West and his Victor Harmony Trio will continue to appear in a complete change of programme.

FAMOUS BEAUTY

DOWAGER COUNTESS OF DUDLEY

8 LOVELY SISTERS

The Dowager Countess of Dudley, a famous beauty of last century, died recently at Pembroke Lodge, Richmond Park, aged 82.

She was the last survivor of a family of eight sisters, all of whom were noted in their day. She was Georgiana, third daughter of the Scottish baronet Sir Thomas Moncreiffe.

The sisters were leaders of London society of the late 'sixties, of which Alexandra, Princess of Wales, their friend and contemporary, was the chief. Georgiana was considered the most beautiful of the family, and indeed of all London.

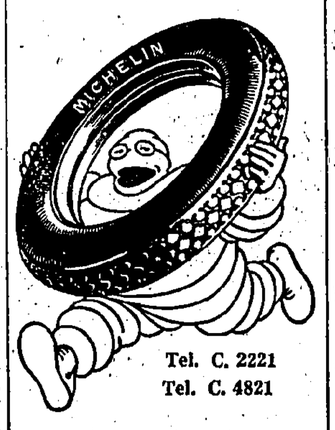
Her youthful features remain recorded in Millais's "Apple Blossoms,' 'of which she is the central figure, painted when she was 13.

Miss Moncreiffe married the Earl of Dudley when she was 19. Lord Dudley was a widower 30 years her senior, and she was left a widow in 1885.

During the Boer War Lady Dudley helped wounded officers and nurses returning from South Africa, and carried on the work for nearly two years without the necessity for any appeal to the public. She was created by King Edward a Lady of Grace of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem.

Lady Dudley took a great interest in the art of cookery, and her "Dudley Book of Cookery and Household Recipes" is not only a practical handbook for the kitchen, but also a work of literature, full of epigrammatic wisdom, ancient and modern, bearing on its subject.

She had six sons, of whom one was killed in the European War. Of these four, the eldest being the present Lord Dudley survive her, together with her only daughter, Lady Wolverton.



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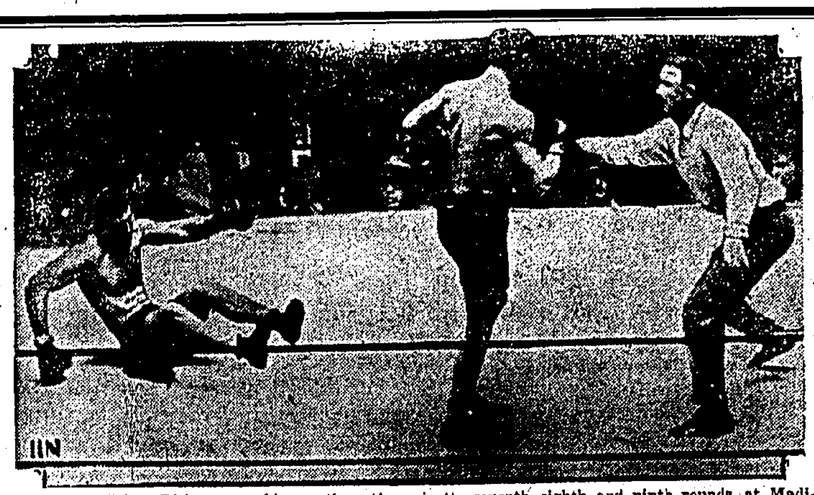

Sending Johnny Risko canvas-kissing three times, in the seventh, eighth and ninth rounds, at Madison Square Garden, Max Schmeling, German heavyweight, scored a decisive technical knockout over his rubbery rival. Referee stopped it in the ninth. The photo shows Risko taking count of nine in the ninth as Referee Donovan motions Schmeling to a neutral corner.

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WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES.

Fancy Dress Ball At French Club

A large number of members and friends attended the annual fancy dress ball of the Shanghai Cercle Sportif Francais, in the clubhouse on Rue Cardinal Mercier. A number of prizes were awarded to those who wore the most original costumes and the function was a brilliant success.—(Ah Fong).

Zeppelin Polar Flight

Commander Charles E. Rosendahl, left, commander of the U.S. dirigible Los Angeles, and Captain Walter Bruns discuss the projected polar flight which Captain Bruns intends to make in 1930. It is probable that passengers will be carried on the flight.

Passes On

Oscar W. Underwood (above), of Alabama, a Senate leader for years and the last of the Democratic old guard, died at Woodlawn Mansion, Fairfax County, Virginia, from pneumonia. He had served for 32 years in Congress and thrice had been a candidate for the Democratic nomination for President.

Crashes in Endurance Flight

When only about 60 feet above ground, 'plane piloted by Viola Gentry, former holder of the women's endurance record, crashed near Roosevelt Field. Girl pilot escaped injury but her craft was wrecked.

Hands Across the Sea

Captain Gustave A. Wester (left), commander of the Swedish cruiser "Fylgia," being welcomed to American waters by Lieutenant Walter E. Moore, aide to commandant of the Philadelphia navy yard, as Captain John K. Fornance and M. K. Hogeland, Swedish consul, look on. The "Fylgia" carries 22 navalcadets in addition to her crew.

Figures in Mystery Killing

Deputy Sheriff Trenor Rice (left), of Williamantic, Conn., who is held as a suspect in connection with the slaying of William E. Jackson, his chief. Rice was arrested after helping to carry Jackson's casket to the grave. He stoutly maintains he is innocent of killing.

In the Shadows

Mrs. Fela Palick (above), wife of Beacon, N.Y., merchant, who gave birth to a son in St. Francis' Hospital, Ploughkeepsie, while under arrest charged with the shooting of Harry Gagnon. She will be permitted to keep baby with her in jail.

Ten Burned to Death

Fire, believed to have started when a can of blasting powder let go, took a toll of ten lives in this American cottage. Dead are Peter Ridge, a miner, his wife and seven children, and little granddaughter. Mary Gibson, married daughter of one of Ridge's daughters, was the only person to escape with her life.

Kidnapping Drama

Orator F. Woodward, multi-millionaire food manufacturer, photographed motorboating with his young son. Now he is charged by mother-in-law with kidnapping both child in the picture and another. A Habeas Corpus writ to recover who m was issued by a New York Court.

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RADIO TOPICS

WIRELESS

NOTHING LIKE A GOOD AERIAL

[By Ultimax]

Now that the cold and dark evenings are with us, distant wireless reception really comes into its own. This last week we have been getting wonderful strength coupled with quality from Cologne, Langenberg, and Radio Toulouse, to mention but a few. The latter station has been sending out some delightful programmes on 391 metres, tuneful melodies of the the more popular compositions, interspersed with jolly piano solos, and if 2LO or 5GB are wearisome we turn to Radio Toulouse as a matter of course, and are usually certain of hearing something worth listening to.

This popular French station has now been on the air for about 3½ years, and despite the several crises which have overtaken broadcasting in France, has carried on regularly without a day's interruption since starting transmission in the early part of 1925. At present it is supported by eight general councils representing the neighbouring communes, by nearly 200 agricultural societies, by the Federation of French South-Western Radio clubs, and by the voluntary subscriptions of some thousands of local listeners. This shows the keen interest manifested in broadcasting—when the programmes are devoid of any suspicion of "evening-class" education—in this far-off corner of the Continent.

The transmitter is rated at 5 kilowatts, and there should be no difficulty in receiving the station at good strength in many parts of this country.

Now is the Time

If Radio Toulouse is weak, we should look to our aerial and now is the time to give it a spring clean, for a good aerial is quite an important aid in long distant reception. The greatest magician, whether he be of the stage or the wireless fraternity, cannot reproduce a signal that is not picked up. We have taken particular notice of the various types of aerial systems seen in suburbs and countryside. A conservative estimate would be that at least 75 per cent. are inefficient. The receiver may give under these conditions a moderate performance, but if it does one half of what a properly calculated and efficiently installed aerial system would do, it is performing miraculously.

Even if we erect a high and costly system, and take pains with the earth, we can nullify our efforts by taking both leads round the picture rail inside the room to the set, an actual instance that was recently observed. Here the listener had spent a good deal of money in getting the aerial as far as possible from the earth outside the house, yet inside the leads were arranged close together. A moment's thought will show that we cannot expect efficiency with inconsistency of this character.

The Most Useful Aerial

If we have the space at our disposal, the straight single wire is best, with the lead-in taken off from the end towards the distant station from which you favour reception. If one end of the aerial is higher than the other, it is usually preferable to favour the highest end for the lead-in. If the space be limited, a twin wire aerial will give a higher fundamental wavelength than the single wire, due to the higher capacity and inductance. Those dwellers on the coast and seaboard who are troubled with morse and normally use the transmissions from Daventry 5XX, will find that a twin or even four wire aerial will give the greatly increased strength on this and other long wave stations.

Aerials for the Long Waves

As we pointed out some time ago, the standard P.M.G. aerial 100 feet long is quite good on the ordinary broadcasting band, but is very definitely too small for reasonable efficiency on the higher wavelengths such as 5XX, Hilversum, and Radio Paris. We cannot exceed 100 feet without first obtaining permission from the P.M.G., but there is no objection to using two or more aerial wires in parallel, and so increasing the effective inductance. We strongly advise those who normally listen to 5XX to try the effect of a double aerial. The distance between the wires is rather important. By actual measurement it has been found that the signal pick-up increases as we increase the space between the wires. That is up to a distance of six feet apart. Little benefit is gained by making the distance greater, but the strength will be seriously reduced by using a twin aerial with the wires only one foot apart.

News from Nottingham

Since the transmitter closed down at the end of last month the weakness of 5GB, as compared with the old relay station, has resulted in a bombardment of the B.B.C. with letters and postcards of complaint, to such effect that the P.O. has had to put on a special delivery van. History is merely being repeated. When Birmingham closed down, and listeners in that city were turned loose on Daventry, calls were made by the B.B.C. engineers on many of the letter writers who complained of the weakness of the new signal. A standard receiving set of the same type was checked against that of the complaint, and in 90 per cent. of the cases investigated it was found the owner's receiver was at fault. The same procedure will be followed in the lace city, and many of the letter writers will be visited and an actual test made in their own homes.

Some Queries

A. D. R. (Balham) is a merry soul. Although a beginner in wireless, he asks three questions:

(1) Why is it called wireless, when you have to erect a wire aerial?

(2) What are the chief troubles encountered in a wireless set?

(3) How do you charge an accumulator, and how do you know it is fully charged?

So far as No. 1 is concerned, we can only reply that it is so old that we have forgotten the answer. We might add that there are over three miles of wire in a low-frequency transformer. (2) *Visitors*, and occasionally the family. (3) Take it round to the nearest garage, and if you are lucky it may get half charged at twice the cost. It is fully charged when it is gassing freely. When it is the electrician who is gassing freely, if you are not careful you will be charged twice.

F. G. (Birkenhead) wants to know why the noises of the various animals at the Zoo have not been broadcast recently. The last time it was done it was most interesting.

This is a question for Savoy Hill. Speaking personally it may be that the B.B.C. consider some recent broadcasts of modern music provide a good substitute.

TO-DAY'S RADIO

BROADCAST BY Z. B. W.

ON 350 METRES

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Government Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on 350 metres.

5.30-6.30 p.m.—Programme of Chinese Music. (Records supplied through the courtesy of Messrs. Sincere Co.)

7.48 p.m.—Evening Weather Report.

8 p.m. — Evening Programme. (Columbia Records supplied through the courtesy of Messrs. The Anderson Music Co.)

"The Dollar Princess" (Leo Fall), Selection,
London Theatre Orchestra.

"Slumber Dear Maid" (Handel's Largo),

"The Lost Chord" (Sullivan),
Contralto, Carrie Herwin.

"Brahms Waltzes" (Brahms),
Pianoforte Duet by Edith Barnett & Vladimir Cernikoff.

"Napoleon,"

"She's Mine," Comedian,
Billy Bennett.

"Chauve Souris—Round The Hay Wain,"
Chauve Souris Company.

"A Russian Barcarolle" (from "Chauve Souris"),
Mmes. Birse & Ershova Mm. Dedovitch & Shevtchenko.

"St. Lois Blues" (Handy),

"Chimes,"
Sol Hoopii's Novelty Trio.

"Cuckoo" (You Remind Me Of A Naughty Spring Time),

"So Tired,"
Florence Oldham.

"Rose Of The South—Waltz,"

"Wiener Blut—Waltz,"
Johann Strauss and Sympathy Orchestra.

"Quartet in G minor" (Debussy—Op. 10, No. 1), Lener String Quartet,
(Lener, Smilovits, Roth and Hartman).

"The Meanderings Of Monty. No. 20—" (Monty Attends A Board-Meeting),
Monologue by Milton Hayes.

"In Springtime,"

"At Love's Beginning," Duet:
Dora Labbette and Norman Allin.

"How About Me?" (Berlin),

"My Mother's Eyes" (Baer & Gilbert), Organ Solo,
Milton Charles.

"Beautiful Isle Of Somewhere" (Fearis),
Shannon Quartet.

"How Can I Leave Thee" (Thuringian Folk Song),
The American Singers.

10.10 p.m.—News Bulletin.

"Lady Mary—I've Got A Feeling For Somebody,"
The Kit-Cat Band.

"Lady Mary—Why Should I Feel Lonely?",
Piccadilly Revels Band.

"Killarney,"

"Come Into The Garden, Maud,"
J. H. Squire Celeste Octet.

10.30 p.m—Close Down.

FINGER PRINTS

NEW MOVE IN THE WAR ON CRIME

Experts at New Scotland-yard are carrying out experiments in the transmission by wireless of the photographs and fingerprints of criminals.

Remarkable success has already attended their efforts, and Viscount Byng of Vimy, the Commissioner, and various high officials who have seen the results have expressed their approval of the venture.

This application by the police of the latest outcome of electrical research will in time have effects of far-reaching importance in the prevention and detection of crime and the thwarting and capture of criminals.

Present Method

At present the description of a wanted man is sent either by post or telegraph to various police forces, and frequently the details are of a somewhat vague character; but, however informative a description may be, it obviously lacks the completeness of a reliable photograph, and it does not convery the vivid mental picture which is so helpful to every policeman.

One photograph with which an experiment was made was that of Browne, who, with Kennedy, murdered Police Constable Gutteridge, and the transmission was so good that the wirelessed picture was easily identified. Finger-prints of famous criminals have also been transmitted with equal success.

It may be a long time before there is a chain of police wireless stations in England, but officials are certain that they can already transmit to stations in America and on the Continent, and thus supply the police of various countries with the photographs and fingerprints of fugitive gangs of international thieves and others whose arrest is desired.

WIRELESS QUARREL

TELEGRAPH EMPLOYEES AND THE COUNCIL

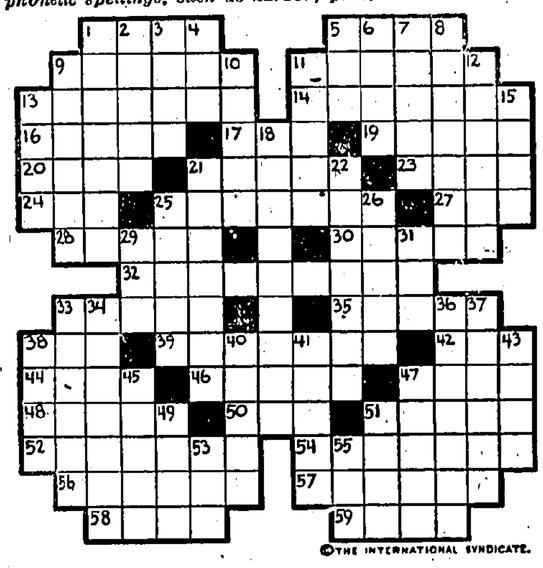
Some 42 representatives of the employees of the Chinese Telegraph Administration in various parts of the country, who recently visited Nanking and demanded the surrender of the wireless administration by the Reconstruction Council to the Ministry of Communications, have come to Shanghai and will, at a reception which they are giving to pressmen in a couple of days, outline their plan of action in the event of the Government's refusal to accede to their demands.

Mr. Chang Ching-kiang, chairman of the Reconstruction Council, entertained a number of foreign and Chinese merchants at the restaurant in the China United Assurance Association building on Tuesday evening and delivered an address in the course of which he said that, pending the completion of the national and international wireless stations, the wireless administration must remain in the hands of the Reconstruction Council and could under no circumstances be handed over to the Chiaotungpu. When, however, these works had been completed, he would not object to their being handed over.

It is whispered in Chinese circles that the employees of the Telegraph Administration will declare a strike in the event of the Government's refusal to hand over control to the Chiaotungpu.

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL
1–Girl
5–Harvest
9–Pertaining to the lips
11–Shooting sprig
13–Silently
14–Threatening
16–Dwelling
17–Edge
19–Dull person
20–Childish favorite in ice cream
21–Having an inside covering
23–Body of water
24–Prefix meaning "thrice"
25–Old Roman official (pl.)
27–Precious stone
28–Heir
30–Mitigated
32–Differentiates
34–Spectacle
35–Percolates
36–French word meaning shooting
37–Made invulnerable
38–Knock
39–Native of certain Asian country

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)
46–More sound mentally
47–Order of mammalia containing whales
48–Competitor
50–Extreme radical
51–Town in Philippines
52–The act of persuading
54–Those who clutch
56–A stock as regards lineage
57–Geological period
58–Sharp quick sound
59–Excrescence

VERTICAL
1–Expressing much in few words
2–Tolerate
3–Location for a building
4–Salt
5–Alcoholic liquor
6–Lady of King Arthur's court
7–Make void
8–The state of a Mexican laborer
9–Tolls
10–A type of composition

VERTICAL (Cont.)
11–One of Shakespeare's lovers
12–Creased
13–Nice discernment
15–Appear
18–Come between
21–Singing bird (pl.)
22–Article of household furniture
25–Diving bird (pl.)
26–Satisfied
29–Cover with concreted sugar
31–Point of compass (abbr.)
33–Dogstar
34–Neckcloths
36–Offer
37–Ridicule
38–Sailors
40–Merits
41–Shelf
43–Wooden pins
45–Area drained by a river
47–Prank
49–Italian coin
51–Type size
53–Abbreviation for word signifying "reverses"
55–Pile

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

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May Lose His Post

Representative John C. Box, of Texas, Democratic Whip in the House, who may lose his post as a result of his demand that former Governor Alfred E. Smith abstain from mixing into party politics now that he has retired to private life.

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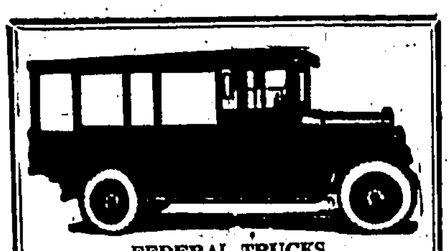

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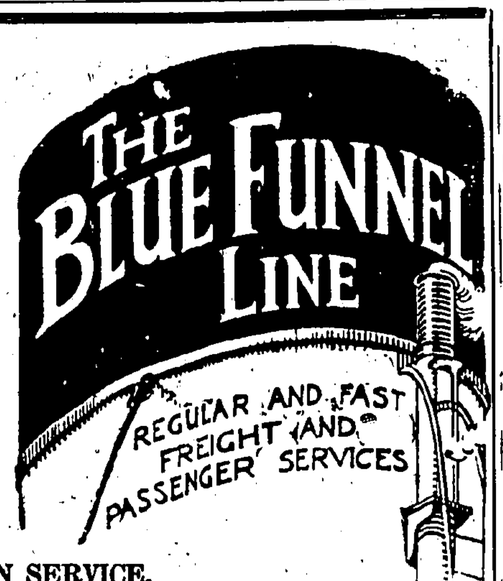

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From	Per
TUESDAY, MARCH 12.	
Straits	Nagpore
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13.	
Saigon	Porthos
Shanghai and Swatow	Sunning
THURSDAY, MARCH 14.	
Straits	Meriones
FRIDAY, MARCH 15.	
Shanghai	Khiva
U.S.A., Canada, Japan & Shanghai	President Jefferson
Europe via Suez (Letters & Papers, London, 14th Feb. and parcels, 7th Feb.)	Naldera
SUNDAY, MARCH 17.	
Manila	Empress of Asia
Straits	Fooksang

OUTWARD MAILS.

	Per	
TUESDAY, MARCH 12.		
Saigon	Lyeemoon	3.30 p.m.
Sam Shui and Wuchow	Kochow	4.30 p.m.
Amoy	Nanchang	4.30 p.m.
Manila	President McKinley	4.30 p.m.
Swatow	Hopsang	5 p.m.
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Limchow	5 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13.		
Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia	Porthos	12.30 p.m.
Java via Batavia	Tjikarang	2.30 p.m.
Shanghai	Newchwang	3.30 p.m.
THURSDAY, MARCH 14.		
Hoihow and Haiphong	Menado Maru	8.30 a.m.
Amoy	Klungchow	5 p.m.
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FRIDAY, MARCH 15.		
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haining	2 p.m.
Japan	Naldera	5 p.m.
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SATURDAY, MARCH 16.		
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KING GOES OUT OF DOORS

IN A BATH CHAIR

FULLY DRESSED AND IN OPEN FOR FIFTY MINUTES

QUEEN BY HIS SIDE

London, Yesterday.

For the first time in four months His Majesty has been taken into the open air, being wheeled in a Bath chair in the grounds of Craigweil House.

He was fully dressed and remained for 50 minutes with the Queen by his side.—Reuter.

Doctor In Attendance

The British Wireless message says that advantage was taken of the warm sunshine and the absence of wind to wheel His Majesty in a bath chair round the grounds of Craigweil House.

His Majesty was out for an hour and was accompanied by the Queen with Sir Stanley Hewett, his physician in attendance. It was stated this evening that the King had passed a good day.

IN RED & BLUE

WEDDING HELD UP FOR A BOUQUET

MISS M. GUINNESS

There was a hurried, Bohemian wedding in London last month when Miss Meraud Guinness, the 24-years-old artist daughter of Mr. Benjamin Guinness, the millionaire of New York and London, married Senor Alvaro Guevara, a Chilean artist.

They met three months ago when exhibitions of his pictures and hers were held in the same Paris gallery.

The ceremony was at Henrietta-street register office, Covent Garden, W.C., and although there had been so little preparation for it, the bride had her wedding cake and a reception of members of her family and artistic friends as well. This was all arranged for her by Mrs. Richard Guinness, her aunt, whose daughter, Miss Zita Jungman, was to be married in the following week.

Bride's One Earring

Miss Guinness wore a red velvet costume with brass buttons and a navy blue petalled collar, a black cloche hat with a close-fitting feather of flame red, bright red shoes strapped with blue, an ornament of brilliants in her buttonhole, and a large pearl drop in her right ear.

The ceremony was about to start when Miss Guinness exclaimed, "I want some flowers. Oh, do please get me some flowers!"

A friend immediately dashed out into Covent Garden and procured a bunch of white lilac and some daffodils. Almost at the same moment another friend arrived with a bouquet of pink roses and maidenhair fern.

Then the ceremony started, very late.

Among the friends present was Mr. C. R. Nevinson, the artist, whose appearance in a bright orange shirt, flowing tie, and "wideawake" hat led many to think he was the bridegroom. Beside him Senor Guevara, who arrived with his bride, was inconspicuous in a navy blue lounge suit, black shoes, and a dark tie.

Blessing by Telephone

Miss Guinness's parents are in Paris, and, it was stated, she had only time to get their blessing on the telephone. Mr. Richard Guinness signed the register, and the reception was held at his house in Great Cumberland-place, Hyde Park, W.

The bride said the honeymoon would probably be at week-end in Paris, and added: "I don't think we shall have a permanent home in London. Probably we shall live chiefly in Paris, but at present it is all quite uncertain. I am very busy designing scenery for Mr. Cochran."

MEXICAN REVOLT

AIRCRAFT FACTORY WORKING AT HIGH PRESSURE

PILOTS BEING TRAINED

New York, Yesterday.

The aircraft factory at Long Island is working night and day to complete an order for aeroplanes from the Government of Mexico.

The 'planes will be equipped with machineguns and bombs racks.

Mexican pilots are intensively training at the Air Station in Hampton Roads, Virginia.—Reuter's American Service.

'Planes From U.S.A.

Mexico City, Yesterday.

It is officially announced that in their first encounter Government forces, led by ex-President General Calles, defeated the rebels under General Urbalejo at Canitas.

The Government declares that the rebels changed sides when they learned that Urbalejo was not fighting for but against the Government. General Urbalejo escaped with a guard of only thirty men.

The only favourable report from the rebels is that the southern half of Lower California has joined them.—Reuter's American Service.

More Rebels Surrender

Mexico City, Yesterday.

An official *communique* states that the troops of the rebel General Aguierre, who was driven out of Vera Cruz last week, have surrendered.—Reuter's American Service.

FINE TO CLOUDY

The weather report issued by the Royal Observatory this morning stated:—

The anti-cyclone has weakened and is now central over the lower Yangtsze Valley.

Moderate monsoon along the S.E. coast of China and fresh monsoon over the China Sea.

Forecast:—N. E. winds, moderate; fine to cloudy.

The death occurred last month of Mr. C. W. Somerset, who was reputed to be the doyen of British actors. He was 82 years of age.

WORLD'S COTTON CONSUMPTION

SLIGHT DECREASE

INDIAN & EGYPTIAN GROWTHS INCREASED

IDLE SPINDLES IN ENGLAND

London, Yesterday.

According to the International Federation of Master Cotton Spinners and Manufacturers' Associations the world cotton mill consumption for the 6 months ended Jan. 31 was 12,750 million bales, a slight decrease compared with the corresponding period last year. East Indian, Egyptian and other growths increased, but American decreased 613,000 bales.

Britain's total consumption was 1,440,000, a slight decrease.

Seventy-six mills in England with 391,000 spindles stopped.—Reuter.

SKI-JUMPING

DESCRIPTION OF A COMPETITION

VIGOROUS SPORT

The first competitor stands above us now. As the crowd is getting most impatient, he is announced by a long bugle blast. This is followed by a roaring from lusty throats and a general pushing and craning of necks the better to view the jump and complete landing.

He appears, remarkably confident, that young skier, presumably a Swiss or Norwegian. He leans on his sticks, his skis across the slope, and glances down at the crowd gathered on the hillsides to watch his performance, and that of other professionals like himself, and lads of the village dauntlessly courageous, but with little or no style to add to their hair-raising exhibitions.

The jump, with the steep approach and almost sheer "piste" or landing track, is in the shade of pine trees, so that the hard-beaten, carefully prepared snow remains protected from the sun which, out of the shade, strikes down on the whiteness with an intensity that makes the eyes ache.

Through a vista of these trees you look across the valley to ranges of mountains cutting a jagged pattern against the blue heavens. From time to time the glaciers that vein them split with the heat, and you hear echoing around you the muffled explosions and slithering of vast areas of released ice.

Many of the spectators have arrived by traineau, but still more on skis—ski-kjoring four or five on a rope behind a fast horse and climbing up from the village, or carrying skis and sticks across their shoulders and using the icy path.

The roar of voices has subsided to a murmur. You feel the tension of the crowd pressed together, and swaying slightly as the young competitor leaps half-round, discarding his sticks, and careers down to the brink of the "tremplin" with a gathering speed.

He crouches low, in the position known as the "sats"—knees almost touching the skis in front and arms hanging low at the sides—and then with a gesture like a bird starting on a flight, rises into the air, body well forward, legs and skis miraculously together, arms spread out and beating the air to prolong the flight.

Even through the surge of excitement that bursts from the throats of the spectators you can hear the curiously hollow "crunch" sound of the jumped as he lands on the hard "piste" balancing perilously for a second while your heart seems to stick in your throat.

Then recovering, he superbly shoots away down the track, at a giddy pace, finishing out in the crisp, snow beyond with a dead-stop "Christiania" amid the yells and brayes of the frenzied crowd.

Immediately boys and men on skis dart from the masses lining the "piste" to stamp out any hollow on the nail-hard surface of the snow, in preparation for the next one to jump.—U.M.S. in "Daily Express."

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